

Large Animal Emergency Rescue Awareness

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This course is designed to familiarize first responders with basic large animal emergency rescue (LAER) techniques. Though the course focus is on horses, farm livestock and other large animal information will be available. Topics include animal behavior, medical needs, and ICS issues regarding animals in traumatic events. Hands on exercises include handling horses and introductions to equipment used in LAER incidents.

Objectives: Students will

- * develop a fundamental understanding of animal behavior
- * understand how accidents and fire impact animal behavior
- * establish awareness of the risks associated with handling farm animals and horses
- * develop practical skills with regard to handling animals in difficult situations
- * learn how to use a basic set of LAER resources
- * learn how to establish a basic set of LAER resources for FD apparatus

Course Includes:

- Lectures
- Practical demonstrations
- Student participation

LAER Course Outline:

- Reading an Animal
- Animal response to stressful or traumatic events
- Basic medical needs for the injured animal
- Incident Command (ICS) in Large Animal Rescue
 - Police & Law Enforcement
 - Owners and Veterinarians
- Basic Principals of Large Animal Emergency Rescue
 - Trailer Accidents
 - Barn Fires
 - Mud Rescue
- Basic Equipment for Large Animal Emergency Rescue
 - Simple Web Lift Sling
 - Conduit Needle
 - Mud Rescue Equipment
 - Misc Equipment
- Handling horses and livestock
 - Haltering, tying, blindfolding
 - Safe application of webbing & slings

This program is subject to changes and updates.

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