

## OVERVIEW OF EUROWA TRAINING COURSES



Type	Species group	Course	Who it is aimed at?	What does it qualify you to do?	Pre-entry requirements	Duration	Location	Learning methods
HANDS-ON	Seabirds	BASIC (formerly POSOW) Oiled Wildlife Responder	Individuals with no previous experience who wish to assist in the rescue and rehabilitation of oiled birds.	To understand and implement basic wildlife response skills, which can be performed under supervision of experienced responders.	None	1 day (on the spot during incidents or in peacetime)	Special facilities not required, simple equipment requirements.	Theory and practical skill labs.
	Seabirds	BASIC Oiled wildlife Responder (Theory only)	Individuals with no previous experience who wish to assist in the rescue and rehabilitation of oiled birds.	To understand and implement basic wildlife response skills, which can be performed under supervision of experienced responders. The course does not cover the practical skills. No formal EUROWA qualification received, only Certificate of Attendance.	None	3-3.5h	Theory with recorded lectures, exercises, quizzes and other. Practical skill labs not covered.	Theory with recorded lectures, exercises, quizzes and other. Practical skill labs not covered.
	Seabirds	ADVANCED Oiled Wildlife Responder	BASIC responders who wish to further their knowledge and provide advanced care to oiled wildlife, following standard protocols and independent from supervision.	To provide a solid layer of high-level capabilities on the work floor of a rehabilitation facility. Qualified ADVANCED responders can train personnel at BASIC level.	BASIC qualification	4 days	Equipment and facility needs require that course takes place at a functioning rehabilitation centre.	Theory and practical skill labs.
	Seabirds	SPECIALIST Oiled Wildlife Responder	ADVANCED responders who wish to further their knowledge and be able to perform the highest hands-on responsibilities on the work floor in a rehabilitation facility.	To create a safe and efficient work environment, ensure that each facility department is functional and contribute to the overall facility objectives. Qualified SPECIALIST responders can train personnel at relevant ADVANCED level.	ADVANCED qualification	2-3 day course events for each SPECIALIST Module, as well as life-long learning and constant upgrading of skills. True SPECIALIST qualification cannot be obtained by a one-off course.	Equipment and facility needs require that course takes place at a functioning, permanent rehabilitation centre.	Theory, literature reviews, practical skill labs and exercises. Experience gained at a rehabilitation centre or through working in an oil spill or other wildlife emergency.

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Veterinary	Seabirds	SPECIALIST Veterinarian	Veterinarians who want to take responsibilities in a wildlife rehabilitation facility in the event of an oil spill.	Ensure the welfare of animals on the work floor via examination, monitoring, analysis and clinical procedures. Manage triage, including the application of euthanasia.	Veterinary qualification	2 days	Equipment and facility needs require that course takes place at a functioning, permanent veterinary centre.	Theory, tabletop exercises and practical skill labs.
HANDS-ON	Sea turtles	BASIC oiled sea turtle responder	Volunteers or first strike force who wish to assist in the rescue and rehabilitation of oiled sea turtles.	To provide hands-on assistance under supervision of advanced responders and/or specialists.	None	1 day (on the spot during incidents or in peace time).	Special facilities not required, simple equipment requirements. Sandy beach area for nesting beach practical.	Theory, tabletop exercises and practical skill labs.
	Sea turtles	ADVANCED oiled sea turtle responder	BASIC responders that have some experience working with and handling sea turtles.	To work in many areas of the response with sea turtles with little supervision, but only making minor decisions for daily work. Those with previous experience working with sea turtles will gain a SPECIALIST qualification and can oversee the entire process of sea turtle nesting and/or rehabilitation).	<p>BASIC sea turtle qualification (to gain ADVANCED).</p> <p>Previous experience working with sea turtles (to gain SPECIALIST sea turtle nesting and/or rescue centre).</p> <p>Qualified sea turtle vets (to gain SPECIALIST sea turtle veterinarian).</p>	2 days	Equipment and facility needs require that course takes place at a functioning rehabilitation centre. Sandy beach area for nesting beach practical.	Theory, tabletop exercises and practical skill labs.
Scientific	Seabirds	Risk and Impact Assessment (Scientific Adviser)	Scientists who have to provide guidance to authorities on assessing the damage of pollution incidents on seabird populations and advise on protection measures.	Develop skills needed to prepare, manage and deliver a population impact assessment.	Previous experience conducting monitoring research on seabird populations (population biologists, ornithologists or ecologists).	2 days	Facility with laboratory where post-mortem examinations can be carried out.	Theory, tabletop exercises and practical skill labs.
Management	General	MANAGER	ADVANCED or SPECIALIST responders (including specialist veterinarians) who	Includes MANAGER Field Operations, MANAGER Infrastructure &	MANAGER Animal Welfare – SPECIALIST Veterinarian qualification	Modular course package with course events of 1-3 days, as	Special facilities not required.	Theory, skill labs and tabletop exercises. Requires life-long

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			wish to further their knowledge with a view to playing a managerial role in the event of an oil spill.	Equipment, MANAGER Facility Operations, MANAGER Animal Welfare.	Other MANAGERS – ADVANCED Qualification	well as life-long learning. True MANAGER qualification cannot be obtained via a one-off course.		revisiting of knowledge, skills, and experience.
	General	SECTION HEAD	ADVANCED or SPECIALIST responders (including specialist veterinarians) who wish to play a managerial role in the event of an oil spill.	SECTION HEAD oversees the management of some departments of a facility, or coastal sections (incl. turtle nesting beaches) when operational in the field.	ADVANCED Qualification	As for MANAGER. True SECTION HEAD qualification cannot be obtained via a one-off course.	As for MANAGER	As for MANAGER