



## **WILDLIFE HANDLING AND CHEMICAL IMMOBILIZATION COURSE**

Wolf Haven International • Tenino, Washington



WOLF HAVEN INTERNATIONAL (Wolf Haven) is hosting a three-day wildlife handling and chemical immobilization course offered by Mark R. Johnson, DVM of *Global Wildlife Resources*. Dr. Johnson has taught and worked on wildlife captures worldwide for over 30 years. He teaches students as well as professionals from federal, state, tribal, and private agencies. This course is one of the most extensive, current, and innovative chemical immobilization courses in North America, with hands-on labs each day, including the immobilization of captive wolves.

Space is limited! Priority will be given to persons working with wildlife in the field or at wildlife facilities.

This unique training emphasizes:

- Professional and humane animal handling
- Practical tools and techniques to maximize field success
- Human and animal safety

Dr. Johnson's customized instruction will focus on the needs of researchers and managers to understand the skills and equipment associated with wildlife capture, physical restraint, and chemical immobilization.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

Five-step preparation for field operations • Legal responsibilities • Professionalism • Drug delivery systems  
Immobilizing drugs • Patient monitoring • Marking • Sampling • Veterinary emergencies  
Euthanasia • Human safety • Ethical issues



The course is intended for professionals working with wildlife in federal, state, and tribal settings, zoos and sanctuaries, animal control officers, and university students. Course includes a course notebook and hands-on labs each day. Participants will receive a Certificate of Training upon course completion.

**DATES:** September 23-25, 2025

**APPLICATION CLOSES:** Tuesday, September 9

**FEE STRUCTURE:**

*General:* \$950 (\$850 for early bird registration before July 15)

*Active Students:* \$725 (\$625 for early bird registration before July 15)

**On Monday, September 22**, Wolf Haven will host a free, optional day of special presentations by wildlife professionals, followed by a guided visit to our wolf sanctuary. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this educational and networking opportunity at no additional cost.

**HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION FOR REVIEW:**

Fill out the course application form at <https://forms.gle/M9EW63CgQ3Kc7sRP8>. We will respond within 1 week.

For questions, please email [animalcare@wolfhaven.org](mailto:animalcare@wolfhaven.org).

**ABOUT GLOBAL WILDLIFE RESOURCES, INC.** ([globalwildliferesources.com](http://globalwildliferesources.com))

Global Wildlife Resources (GWR) is a progressive company founded by Dr. Mark Johnson that specializes in the highest professional standards of capture and handling of wild and feral animals. Dr. Johnson is dedicated to teaching and advising wildlife and animal welfare professionals of all kinds, and to bringing care and respect to animals whether they are free-ranging, captive, or feral. GWR's advising and instruction is based on the most practical and effective field-oriented methods and equipment. Each course brings fresh insights, both for new students and experienced professionals, and is often a profound personal and professional experience for those who attend.

**ABOUT WOLF HAVEN INTERNATIONAL** ([wolfhaven.org](http://wolfhaven.org))

Wolf Haven International is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has worked for wolf conservation since 1982 under the mission *"to conserve and protect wolves and their habitat."* Accredited by both the American Sanctuary Association (ASA) and the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), Wolf Haven has provided a lifetime home to over 325 animals at our sanctuary locations in Tenino, Washington and Bridger, Montana. Wolf Haven also participates in two federally managed Saving Animals From Extinction (SAFE) programs designed to ensure the continued health and survival of the American Red wolf and the Mexican wolf. Because of our animal care staff's experience, and our longevity as a wolf sanctuary, Wolf Haven has come to be regarded as a leader in humane wolf management and wolf identification. In 2024, GFAS awarded Wolf Haven with its annual Outstanding Wildlife Sanctuary award.