

## **Managing Dangerous (ZLA Category1) Animals in Zoos Blackpool Zoo 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018**



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Has specialised in zoo and wildlife health and welfare for 25 years as a keeper, curator, zoo veterinarian and zoo director. For 8 years Matt worked for DEFRA as Portfolio Manager leading on animal legislation policy development and negotiation. Since 2011 he has worked as a consultant and research academic providing service to zoos, conservation organisations and government. Matt is a UK zoo and circus inspector.

**£250 for Two Days (£220 for BIAZA Members)**

This course will focus on the legislation, best practice and practical approaches to working with animals classified as 'Category 1 Hazardous Animals' by the Zoo Licensing Act. Learn how to write a Risk Assessment and then apply it in your zoo, review safe working practices, design an effective training programme and manage emergency responses. We will cover contentious issues like 'Protected Contact' and 'Lone Working' discussing different approaches and highlighting pros and cons. We will also discuss Emergency Response and Disaster Management. This will be a practical course with exercises involving elephants, carnivores, apes, hoofstock and birds.

There may also be guest trainers too !!

### **Agenda**

#### **Day 1**

1. Legislation – Zoo Licensing and Health and Safety
2. Public Contact and Keeper Contact with Category 1 Animals
3. Risk Assessments, Safe Working Practices, Standard Operating Procedures and more ..
4. Training, Sign Off and Supervision
5. Day to Day Management
6. Species Specific Risks

#### **Day 2**

1. Principles of Enclosure Design and Maintenance
2. Animal Management and Veterinary Procedures
3. Emergency Escapes and Human Accident Responses
4. Investigations and Enforcements

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