

Animal Training Recommended Resources

AZA and USDA Documents

AZA Accreditation Standards: www.aza.org/assets/2332/aza-accreditation-standards.pdf

AZA Application: www.aza.org/assets/2332/accreditation_questionnaire_application.doc

AZA Inspectors' Handbook: https://assets.speakcdn.com/assets/2332/inspectors_handbook.pdf

AZA Sample Documents: www.aza.org/accred-resource-center

AZA Animal Care Manuals: www.aza.org/animal-care-manuals/

USDA APHIS Blue Book (Animal Welfare Regulations, including primate enrichment): https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/downloads/bluebook-ac-awa.pdf

AZA/AAZK Animal Training Terms & Definitions: https://assets.speakcdn.com/assets/2332/aza_aazk_training_terms.pdf

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Websites & Videos

The American Association of Zoo Keepers Behavioral Husbandry Committee: http://aazk.org/committee/behavioral-husbandry/ (Member Only)

AZA Behavior Scientific Advisory Group: https://www.aza.org/behavior-scientific-advisory-group

AZA Network Pages: Animal Behavior, Animal Welfare, Behavioral Husbandry Managers, Operant Conditioning

Bob Bailey Video's:

- » Fundamentals of Animal Training: http://www.amazon.com/The-Fundamentals-Animal-Training-Bailey/dp/8000IMVEGO
- » Patient like the Chipmunks: A short film on the history of Operant Conditioning

Disney's Animal Kingdom animal training site: http://www.animaltraining.org/

Natural Encounters training publications and TEC talks: http://www.naturalencounters.com/pressRoom.html and https://naturalencounters.com/tec-talk-library/

Karen Pryor Clicker Training Video On Demand: https://video.clickertraining.com/

Ken Ramirez How to Become the Top Trainer: The 10 Laws of Shaping https://video.clickertraining.com/programs/how-to-become-a-top-trainer-the-10-laws-of-shaping

Susan Friedman's Behavior Works site: http://www.behaviorworks.org/

Staff Training

Animal Professionals (Online video conference proceedings ABMA and ICEE) http://animalprofessional.com/

Certifications: International Avian Trainers Certification Board, Certified Professional Dog Trainer -Knowledge Assessed

Collabornation (with ABMA, AAZK membership) http://www.aazk-learn.org/

Games People Play (Training games and enrichment activities) https://naturalencounters.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/The_Games_People_Play-Angi_Millwood.pdf

Jeopardy template by Bill Arcuri https://slideplayer.com/slide/9325965/

Quizlet online education software (create personalized set of questions: flashcards, terminology races, quizzes) http://quizlet.com/; http://quizlet.com/46174646/training-101-flash-cards/

San Diego Global Academy https://sdzwaacademy.org/courses-academy.html

Susan Friedman's LLA Course & How Research works course: https://www.behaviorworks.org/htm/ lla_info_links.html