

# **IWRC Online Course**

## **Oil Spill Volunteering: An Introduction**

### **Attention NJ Wildlife Rehabilitators, Apprentices and Subpermittees:**

The International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council (IWRC) has developed an online course titled "Oil Spill Volunteering: An Introduction". The purpose of this course is to prepare potential oiled wildlife emergency volunteers of what to expect. Please see the course description below. If you are interested in registering for this course, or if you have any questions, please contact Kai Williams at the IWRC.

Kai's contact information is available at the beginning of the message.

The course provides an overview of the many factors involved with oil spills, including what volunteers "may expect" during a spill response, "what is expected" of a volunteer, how spill responses are organized and who is involved.

Please note: Completion of this course does NOT qualify an individual for deployment for emergency response. Be aware that when responding to a spill, volunteers may be required to have one or more of the following:

- Federal and State Wildlife Rehabilitation permits
- Additional oil spill training from approved wildlife responders/organizations
- Wildlife rehabilitation experience
- Rabies pre-exposure vaccinations
- Wildlife fluid therapy training
- Experience handling impacted species
- Veterinary license issued from the impacted state
- Incident Command Systems training
- HAZMAT training
- Additional Emergency Response Team training.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like additional information pertaining to emergency response (oil spill) training.

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