

Humane Educators of Texas, LLC

Basic ACO Training Study Guide

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1. Define vector. _____
2. How many coat colors does a bicolor dog or cat have? _____
3. When lifting a medium to large dog, wrap one arm around the chest and one arm around the rump of the dog.

TRUE / FALSE

4. Animal diseases, such as rabies, that can be spread to people are called _____ diseases.
5. Rodents are considered low-risk animals for rabies transmission.

TRUE / FALSE

6. What is the legal term for an order to appear before the court? _____
7. An initial rabies vaccination is considered current _____ days after administration.
8. List the five wildlife reservoir species considered **high risk** for rabies transmission.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____

9. Local ordinances may be less stringent than state laws. TRUE / FALSE
10. If a domestic animal **not** currently vaccinated against rabies is exposed to a rabid animal, it must be euthanized or vaccinated and confined for _____ days.
11. Where are the department rules found? _____
12. If a domestic animal currently vaccinated against rabies is exposed to a rabid animal, it must be euthanized or vaccinated and confined for _____ days.

13. Rabies quarantine facilities must be inspected by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

TRUE / FALSE

14. What are the four requirements the owner of a dog declared dangerous must meet?

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

iv. _____

15. Rabies quarantine facilities must post a written standard operating procedure (SOP) for that facility.

TRUE / FALSE

16. According to Health & Safety Code, Ch 821, Treatment and Disposition of Animals, only a peace officer may obtain a seizure warrant for a cruelly treated animal.

TRUE / FALSE

17. The rabies virus is shed in the _____ of an infected animal.

18. Name all animals that have a USDA licensed rabies vaccine.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____
- vi. _____

19. What is a fomite?

20. The state of Texas requires that dogs and cats be vaccinated against rabies by _____ weeks of age.

21. Wood, carpet, pea gravel, cork, and cardboard are all examples of readily sanitizable surfaces.

TRUE / FALSE

22. What three things can a court order to have happen to an animal that has been cruelly treated?

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____

23. When doing a brain submission, you must submit _____ and tissue from either _____ or _____

24. What are the five requirements to allow home confinement following a bite?

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____

25. At an animal shelter, an employee has _____ days to complete their euthanasia training.

26. Animals which are normally active at night, such as skunks and bats are referred to as

_____.

27. A free roaming high-risk animal that has bitten a person must be tested for rabies.

TRUE / FALSE

28. What is the quarantine period for a llama that has bitten a person? _____

29. Name a recommended refrigerant to use when shipping a head for rabies testing.

30. What is the only method of euthanasia that may be administered to dogs and cats in the custody of a shelter in Texas? _____

31. A veterinarian must inspect animal shelters in counties with a population less than 75,000 once a year.

TRUE / FALSE

32. Name a common sign of roundworms in puppies and kittens. _____

33. List the four tabby markings for cats.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____

34. A catchpole should be used to lift an animal into the truck to avoid being bitten.

TRUE / FALSE

35. What is the most common route of transmission of the rabies virus? _____

36. You must include a _____ submission form when you submit an animal's head or brain to the Texas Department of State Health Services Laboratory for rabies testing.

37. What are the five stages of rabies?

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____

38. When visiting a citizen in person, be sure to keep _____ feet between you and the other person to avoid entering their personal space and creating greater tension.

39. List seven basic types of dog ears.

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| i. _____ | v. _____ |
| ii. _____ | vi. _____ |
| iii. _____ | vii. _____ |
| iv. _____ | |

40. Each public or private animal pound shelter, or humane organization may set its own standards for potential adopters if those standards are applied in a fair and equal manner.

TRUE / FALSE

41. Where is Texas rabies law found? _____

42. Define zoonosis. _____

43. According to Health & Safety Code, Ch 828, Dog and Cat Sterilization, if an owner fails to have their animal sterilized by the deadline in the sterilization agreement, what two things can happen?

i. _____

ii. _____

44. Impoundment facilities in counties with a population less than 75,000 do not need to meet the minimum standards for housing and sanitation.

TRUE / FALSE

45. TXHSC Chapter _____ contains guidelines for the legal removal of cruelly treated animals from their owners.

46. Epizootic is defined as: _____

47. It is legal for the general public to capture and sell bats.

TRUE / FALSE

48. Before disinfecting a clean surface, always read and follow the instructions on proper mixing and use of the disinfectant.

TRUE / FALSE

49. Under TXHSC Chapter 828, name two forms of identification that can be used for an animal that has been sterilized.

i. _____

ii. _____

50. In order to purchase, possess, and dispense denatured sodium pentobarbital, the shelter or law enforcement agency must be registered with:

51. If a domestic animal **not** currently vaccinated against rabies bites a human, it should be vaccinated immediately before being placed into quarantine.

TRUE / FALSE

52. By what age will a dog have all its permanent teeth? _____

53. In reference to TXHSC Chapter 822, Regulation of Animals, a dog may be defined as a **dangerous dog** if it attacks a person within the enclosed area in which it is kept, and which is reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving.

TRUE / FALSE

54. When euthanizing an animal OTHER than a dog or cat in the custody of an animal shelter, you must reference _____ to determine the best method of euthanasia.

55. An animal that is primarily active during dusk and dawn is known as _____.

56. Failure to vaccinate a dog or cat by 4 months of age will result in a Class _____ misdemeanor, unless the owner has been previously convicted in which it will result in a Class _____ misdemeanor.

57. According to Health & Safety Code, Ch. 823, Animal Shelters, animal shelters must separate their animals by:

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

iv. _____

58. Describe the two most common clinical signs of rabies in both domestic and wild animals.

i. _____

ii. _____

59. A veterinarian may NOT share rabies vaccination information with anyone including a peace officer, animal control officer, and/or public health official.

TRUE / FALSE

60. A domestic dog, cat, or domestic ferret that has bitten someone must be observed for _____ days, _____ hours, or be euthanized and tested for rabies.

61. An animal that breaks the skin of a human by a scratch does NOT need to be quarantined.

TRUE / FALSE

62. Controlled substances must be kept in a: _____

63. The local rabies control authority MUST be a licensed veterinarian or health professional.

TRUE / FALSE

64. It is not legal to sell rabies vaccine to the general public by local stores.

TRUE / FALSE

65. List six basic types of dog tails:

i. _____

iv. _____

ii. _____

v. _____

iii. _____

vi. _____

66. An animal control officer can carry a bite stick both on and off duty.

TRUE / FALSE

67. Name the four types of skunks found in Texas:

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

iv. _____

68. Name the four groups of venomous snakes in Texas:

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

iv. _____

69. Emergency first aid to prevent rabies in humans includes the following three steps:

i. _____

ii. _____

iii. _____

70. Animals that are primarily active during the day are known as _____.

71. The state of Texas does not recognize a three-year rabies vaccine.

TRUE / FALSE

72. What three steps should you follow to treat an animal for heat exhaustion?

- i. _____

- ii. _____

- iii. _____

73. Torture, premeditated cruelty, intentional cruelty, and blood sports are examples of _____ cruelty.

74. List some common signs of illness in an animal.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____
- iv. _____
- v. _____

75. What is the average incubation period for the rabies virus? _____.