



## THE VERMONT ANIMAL CRUELTY TASK FORCE

The Vermont Humane Federation • The Vermont Department of Agriculture  
The Vermont Veterinary Medical Association • The Vermont Sheriffs' Association  
The Vermont Farm Bureau • The Vermont League of Cities and Towns  
The Humane Society of the United States' New England Regional Office  
The Vermont Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services • Spring Hill Horse Rescue  
The Rutland City Police Department • The Vermont Police Chiefs' Association

### How to Investigate Animal Cruelty in Vermont *A Manual of Procedures*

Does your municipality struggle with animal care and control issues? Do you receive complaints about animal cruelty, but don't know what to do about them? *How to Investigate Animal Cruelty in Vermont: A Manual of Procedures* is a new resource from the Vermont Animal Cruelty Task Force that no community should be without. The manual can be purchased from The Humane Society of the United States' New England Regional Office, which produced the book on behalf of the task force, for only \$20 (including shipping and handling).

The book outlines the basics of a good investigation, from start to finish, including real-life case examples. Also included are common "Animal Care Practices" for a variety of animals, a layman's interpretation of Vermont's criminal animal cruelty statute, as well as copies of other animal-related laws and regulations for your reference. Sample forms, fact sheets and articles on a variety of animal care issues – from rabies to chained out dogs - can help you resolve animal complaints locally.

As an added incentive for ordering now, you will also receive *Animal Control Management: A Guide for Local Governments* absolutely free of charge. This book is produced by the International City/County Management Association and normally sells for \$22. It provides a wealth of practical information about funding, structuring, and running an effective animal care and control program that protects both citizens and animals.

To order your two books, send in a completed order form (below) with a check made out to the The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), PO Box 619, Jacksonville, VT 05342. Call 802-368-2790 if you have any questions.

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Enclosed is my check for \$20, made out to the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), for the books *"How to Investigate Animal Cruelty in Vermont: A Manual of Procedures"* and *"Animal Control Management: A Guide for Local Governments"*.

*Coordinating Vermont's Efforts to Prevent and Respond to Animal Cruelty  
through Communication, Education, Training, Enforcement and Legislation*