According to the new legislation regarding animal experimentation, this course comprises two parts: the basic course (the former article 9 course) and one or more species-specific courses. When you have successfully completed the basic and one species-specific course you are competent to design procedures and projects.

Please note that the animal welfare body in your institute will also offer supplementary training for your competence file to confirm that you are skilled to perform experiments with the specific species. This supplementary training is not included in this “Designing procedures and projects” course.

The laboratory animal science course “Designing procedures and projects”, will be held from Monday 7 November 2016 through Friday 18 November 2016. This course consists of ten days of tutorials and lectures, practical courses and guided tours, followed by a few days of self-study. The course will be rounded off with a written exam on Friday 25 November 2015. This course contains the basic course and the extra mouse and rat course and some simple procedures on these animals. If the extra mouse and rat course (about 1.5 day) does not apply to your research you are not required to attend this component of this course. In the third week we organize the birds course on Monday November 21 and Tuesday November 22. On Wednesday November 23 and Thursday November 24 the Laboratory fish and claw frogs course is given. Should there be demand for other species-specific modules, we will organize these in December.

The course focuses on all animal species that are used in KNAW institutes. Attention will also be paid to experiments with wild animals and to field experiments. The legal requirements for attending this course are a MSc degree in a biological or zootechnical discipline and knowledge of the basic subjects of biology up to 18.75 ECTS (=500 study hours), including at least 7.5 ECTS on anatomy/zooology and 7.5 ECTS on physiology. Participants not meeting these requirements must sit an additional written exam. Please refer to the animal welfare officer (Nanneke) for information regarding these additional exams.
To prepare for the exam please study the book *Principles of Laboratory Animal Science*. You will receive this book on the first course day. Further information on most of the presentations will be provided in the form of handouts. The course will be in English. You may also take the exam in Dutch. The maximum number of participants is 24.

The course will be organized by the animal welfare officer (Article 13f3/4) of the KNAW. It will be held at the following locations: The Netherlands Institute of Ecology (NIOO) in Wageningen (1 day), The Hubrecht Institute for Developmental Biology and Stem Cell Research (HI) in Utrecht (2 or 3 days), Department of Animals in Science and Society, University of Utrecht, in Utrecht (1 day), The Netherlands Institute for Neuroscience (NIN) in Amsterdam (4 or 5 days) and the Bureau of the KNAW in Amsterdam (1 day).

Participation fee (including handbook and lunches) for KNAW employees:
Basic course € 750
Basic course including mouse and rat module € 1000
Species specific module € 250

Participation fee (including handbook and lunches) for external participants:
Basic course including VAT € 1500
Basic course including mouse and rat module including VAT € 2000
Species-specific module including VAT € 500
Academic degree MSc
Academic discipline .......... ( )

Please tick which components you wish to attend:

Basic course .......... ( )
Basic course including mouse and rat module ( )

Species-specific module:
Birds ( )
Laboratory fish and claw frogs ( )
Wildlife fish, reptiles and amphibians ( )
Non-human primates ( )
Other ...........

Please send in a copy of your diploma and identity card together with the registration form.

(Invoice address (if applicable; to be filled in by your financial administration)

Institute or company name: ...........
Name of financial manager: ...........
Address: ...........
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Email: ...........
Tel.nr: ...........

Send the completed form (and the copies of the diploma and identity card) to:

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