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Poultry stunning training – places available

The Humane Slaughter Association (HSA) is teaching a poultry stunning course 'On-farm slaughter of poultry' on 18th October 2011 at West Somerset Community College, Minehead.

The course includes a theory element and a practical session which covers restraint, stunning and slaughter of poultry. Participants are assessed and those who are successful will receive a certificate of competence to slaughter poultry using a variety of stunning methods, which may be required for the sale of poultry meat.

To book a place on this course and for more information call Sophie Stephens (at West Somerset Community College) on 01643 822125 or sstephens2@educ.somerset.gov.uk

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Note to Editors:

As an independent registered charity, the HSA is unique in working exclusively to achieve the highest worldwide standards in food animal welfare at markets, during transport and at slaughter through scientific and technical advances, education and training. Its work includes researching, refining and demonstrating humane slaughter methods, publishing material such as guidelines, best practice, books and videos, funding research projects and the development of equipment. Specialist technical staff provide expert and practical advice on all welfare issues relating to food animals.

The HSA is funded by voluntary donations, subscriptions and legacies.

For more information about the HSA's work call 01582 831919, email <u>info@hsa.org.uk</u> or visit www.hsa.org.uk

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