

# Ecology Survey Calendar

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
<b>HABITATS/ VEGETATION</b>	Phase 1 surveys (sub-optimal)			Phase 1 Habitat surveys						Phase 1 surveys (sub-optimal)		
<b>BADGERS</b>	Limited surveys	Bait marking and sett surveys			Limited sett and bait marking surveys				Sett surveys		Limited surveys	
<b>BATS</b>	Inspection of hibernation roosts		Limited activity	Emergence (dusk), dawn (re-entry), transect and building roost surveys					Limited activity	Inspection of hibernation roosts		
	Potential roost and building inspection surveys (assessments) throughout the year											
<b>BIRDS</b>	Surveys for wintering birds		Breeding birds surveys and migrant species		Breeding bird surveys		Little activity, surveys sub-optimal		Surveys for migrant species		Surveys for wintering birds	
<b>DORMICE</b>	Dormice hibernating			Nest box and nest tube searches						Dormice hibernating		
	Nut searches sub-optimal		Nut search surveys avoided					Optimal nut search time				
<b>GREAT CRESTED NEWTS</b>	Newts hibernating		Pond surveys and terrestrial habitat surveys				Larvae surveys and terrestrial habitats		Terrestrial habitat surveys		Newts hibernating	
<b>OTTERS</b>	Field signs can be surveyed throughout the year											
<b>REPTILES</b>	Reptiles in hibernation		Peak survey months. Surveys are limited by high temperatures in July and August							Reptiles in hibernation		
<b>WATER VOLES</b>	Reduced activity		All surveys methods. Optimal March-June								Reduced activity	
<b>WHITE-CLAWED CRAYFISH</b>	Limited activity			Surveys	Avoid surveys - releasing young		Optimum time for surveys				Limited surveys	

<b>KEY</b>	Survey recommended		Sub-optimal survey period		Surveys not possible	
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