

Ecological Survey Calendar

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Badger	Scoping survey	Sett monitoring and bait marking/Scoping survey			Limited sett monitoring and bait marking /Scoping survey			Sett monitoring and bait marking/Scoping survey			Scoping survey		
Bat Activity, Roost Emergence/ Re-entry	Hibernation roost inspection		Limited activity	Optimal season for activity surveys and summer roosts					Limited activity	Hibernation roost inspection			
Bat Roost Internal Inspection/ Tree Endoscope	Potential roost and internal building surveys are possible all year round/Tree endoscope surveys are best in winter												
Barn Owl	Surveys possible all year round												
Birds - Breeding				Breeding bird survey			Low activity						
Birds - Wintering	Wintering bird survey									Wintering bird survey			
Botanical			Optimal season										
BREEM	Surveys possible all year round												
Dormice	Gnawed hazlenut search			Nest tube/box survey (Gnawed hazlenut search best from September)							Gnawed hazlenut search		
Great Crested Newt			Pond survey	Pond survey and eDNA		Pond survey		Habitat suitability assessments are possible year round					
Invertebrates						Optimal for terrestrial and aquatic species							
Otter	Surveys possible all year round												
Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA)	Surveys possible all year round												
Reptiles	Hibernating/Habitat assessments only		High activity			Low refuge use in peak summer			High activity	Low activity	Hibernating/Habitat assessments only		
Water Vole	Low activity/Habitat assessments only	Habitat Survey	Habitat survey and field signs/Activity survey							Habitat Survey	Low activity/Habitat assessments only		
White Claw Crayfish Survey						Optimal season							
Key	Optimal survey season				Sub-optimal/ specific survey techniques only				Survey not possible				