

Ecological Survey Calendar

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Habitats/NVC				Phase 1 and NVC								
Badgers	Limited sett/ bait surveys	Bait marking and sett surveys			Limited bait making and sett surveys			Sett Surveys			Limited sett/ bait surveys	
Bats	Inspection of hibernation roosts				Survey for summer roosts and activity transects						Inspection of hibernation roosts	
Birds	Wintering surveys		Breeding and migrant species surveys		Breeding bird surveys		Low activity		Migrant species surveys		Wintering surveys	
Dormice	Nut search			Nest box (April-October) Nut Search (September-December)								
Great Crested Newts	Hibernating		Pond survey				Larval survey				Hibernating	
Otters	Searches for field signs can be carried out throughout the year											
Reptiles	Hibernating			Peak survey time				Peak month			Hibernating	
Water Voles		Field sign and activity surveys										
White-Clawed Crayfish				Surveys avoided because of young			Searching, torching and trapping surveys					
Invertebrates					Aquatic surveys							
				Various terrestrial groups in adult form								

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Key:	
	Surveys not feasible
	Sub-optimal survey period
	Optimal survey period