

Species - survey type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Badgers - Sett surveys/Bait marking		Bait and Sett							Sett			
Bats - Buildings	Buildings can be assessed all year round											
Bats - Climbing/Tree assessment												
Bats - Transitional/maternity roost surveys				1					2			
Bats - Activity surveys			3						4	5		
Bats - Hibernacula surveys												
Birds	Wintering birds		Breeding/migrant		Breeding bird surveys				Migrant		Wintering	
Dormouse - Nest tube & box Surveys												
Dormouse - Nut Search Survey												
Great Crested Newts - Pond Surveys												
Great Crested Newts - Terrestrial												
Great Crested Newts - Habitat Suitability Index												
Great Crested Newts - Larvae Surveys												
Habitat - Phase 1/National Vegetation Classification	Phase 1			Phase 1 & NVC					Phase 1			
Otters	Field signs present throughout the year											
Reptiles					Shorter basking time							
Water voles - Field signs												
Water voles - Habitat suitability	Habitat suitability can be assessed throughout the year											
White clawed crayfish - Hand search				Breeding								
White clawed crayfish - Trapping				Breeding								
White clawed crayfish - Torch												

Optimal survey period



Sub-optimal survey period



Survey not possible



Notes: 1 Surveys may be carried out in April if assessment of transitional behaviour is required. 2 Surveys can be carried out in September if weather conditions are suitable and assessment of transitional/mating behaviour is required. 3 Transitional period between winter and summer roosts. 4 Mating season as well as transitional period between summer and winter roosts. 5 Surveys can be carried out in October if weather conditions are suitable and assessment of transitional/mating behaviour is required.

N.B. These survey timings are dependant on a number of factors such as weather conditions, extreme seasonal conditions (i.e. floods causing high water levels, unseasonably cold/hot/wet weather) and vegetation cover.