

Guidance for ecological survey seasons by species/habitat

Optimal survey period



Sub-optimal survey period



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Badgers	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Bats (preliminary survey, trees)	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Bats (emergence and activity)				Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal		
Bats (hibernation roosts)	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal								Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal
Birds (breeding)			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal				
Birds (overwintering)	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal							Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Dormice				Sub-optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	
Great Crested Newts			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal						
Great Crested Newts (eDNA)				Optimal	Optimal	Optimal						
Invertebrates			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal		
Otters	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Reptiles			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal		
Water Voles			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal		
White-Clawed Crayfish				Sub-optimal			Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	
Habitats/ Vegetation	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal	Sub-optimal