

7. When during the year can surveys be carried out?

Some surveys, such as scoping surveys or looking for evidence of bats in buildings, can be carried out all year round but may be more productive at certain times of year. For more specific surveys, there are often relatively narrow times of year when surveys can occur. The table below indicates the range of times when surveys can be carried out (although there may be some local variation in this – check any local protocols in place):

Key: Optimal Survey Time: ■ Extending into ■

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Badgers		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Bats (Hibernation Roosts)	■	■	■								■	■
Bats(Summer Roosts)				■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
Bats (Foraging/Commuting)				■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
Birds (Breeding)			■	■	■	■	■	■				
Birds (Over Wintering)	■	■									■	■
Dormice	■				■	■	■	■	■		■	■
Great-Crested Newts			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
			AQUATIC									
Invertebrates				■	■	■	■	■	■			
Natterjack Toads				■	■							
Otters	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Reptiles			■	■	■	■			■			
Water Voles		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■		
White-Clawed Crayfish							■	■	■			
Habitats/Vegetation				■	■	■	■	■	■			

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