

Ecological Mitigation Calendar

This information is given for guidance only. Periods of mitigation works may vary due to weather.

Species	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Great Crested Newt (EPS Licence Required)	Pond management and scrub clearance only (hibernation)		Newt trapping in ponds and on land				Newt trapping on land, trapping of newt larvae in ponds			Pond management and scrub clearance only (hibernation)		
Reptiles (EPS Licence Required for smooth snake and sand lizard)	Scrub clearance only (hibernation)		Capture & translocation programmes. Scrub clearance & destructive search				Capture conditions sub-optimal (too hot, less basking behaviour)		Capture/translocation programmes. Scrub clearance & destructive search		Scrub clearance only (hibernation)	
Hazel Dormouse (EPS Licence Required)	Phase 1 vegetation cutting to stump level		No clearance works (because of bird nesting potential)			Phase 2 clearance (stump removal)				As Jan - Feb		
Water vole (NE Licence Required)	Avoid all works in water vole habitats	Trapping / Exclusion / Translocation		Avoid all works in water vole habitats				Trapping / Exclusion / Translocation		Avoid all works in water vole habitats		
Badger (NE Licence Required)	No disturbance to existing setts / Building of artificial setts only					Stopping up / destruction of existing setts - Natural England Licence Required					As in Jan	
Bats (EPS Licence required)	Works on maternity roosts & summer roosts		Works on maternity & hibernation roosts		Works on hibernation roosts only			Works on maternity & hibernation roosts		Works on maternity & summer roosts		
Otter (EPS Licence Required)	No seasonal constraints but likely to be restricted where otters are breeding											
White-clawed Crayfish (Licence Required)	Avoid capture programmes (high flow/cold conditions and breeding season)			As Jul - Oct		Avoid capture programmes		Capture & exclusion from construction areas			Avoid capture programmes (high flow/cold conditions and breeding season)	
Nesting Birds	Clearance works may be conducted BUT MUST STOP if nesting birds found		Avoid clearance / construction works as main bird nesting season. Clearance of nesting habitat only permitted if detailed survey by Ecologist reveals no nesting - the clearance must then be undertaken within 48hrs of survey.				Clearance works may be conducted BUT MUST STOP if nesting birds found					
Planting (trees / shrubs)	Optimal (dormant season)		Avoid planting							Optimal		

Mitigation Timing

Mitigation possible	
Mitigation restricted	

NE=Natural England EPS= European Protected Species