

Freshwater Survey Calendar

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Great Crested Newts	Newts Hibernating		Pond Surveys - including presence / absence & habitat suitability surveys <i>* All surveys weather dependent</i>			eDNA presence / absence surveys <i>*15th April - 30th June only</i>	Larval Surveys		Aquatic surveys not recommended		Newts hibernating	
Otters	Otter surveys <i>*Limitations to surveys include recent rainfall & vegetation cover</i>											
Water Voles	Limited activity	Initial habitat surveys		Water vole surveys - including habitat, field sign & activity surveys <i>*Limitations to habitat suitability surveys include recent rainfall & vegetation cover</i>						Initial habitat surveys		Limited activity
White-clawed Crayfish	Limited activity		Searching, torching and trapping surveys	Torchlight surveys only (breeding season)		Substrate searches (by hand), torchlight & trapping surveys				Limited activity		
Aquatic Invertebrates	Sub-optimal surveys			Surveys are possible throughout the year (including sweep netting, dredges & grab sampling) <i>* Surveys between April & October are optimal</i>						Sub-optimal surveys		