

A GUIDE TO OPTIMAL AND SUBOPTIMAL SURVEY PERIODS

Optimal period
 Suboptimal period

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Vegetation	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
Japanese Knotweed	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal
Crayfish							Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	
Great Crested Newt / Smooth Newt			Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal						
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Reptiles			Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Optimal	Suboptimal		
Birds – Breeding			Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal				
Birds – Wintering	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal							Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Bats – Activity / Emergence					Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal			
Bats – Building Inspections	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal
Dormouse					Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal		
Water Vole				Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal			
Badger	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Suboptimal	Optimal	Optimal
Otter	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal	Optimal