

River Mease Ecology Calendar

Species/Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Species													
Bullhead			15th	No In Channel Works		15th			Surveying				
Spined Loach			15th	No In Channel Works		15th			Surveying				
Coarse fish			15th	No In Channel Works		15th							
Salmonids	No In Channel Works								No In Channel Works				
White Clawed Crayfish	Breeding. No Translocation			Mitigation Possible	Breeding. No Translocation			Surveying. Mitigation Possible with licence		Breeding. No Translocation			
Badgers	No Disturbance to a badger sett without a licence						Mitigation Possible with licence						
Breeding Birds		Bird Breeding Season. Pre-works checks. Follow Method Statement. Clear vegetation outside this period.											
Over Wintering Birds										Pre-works checks. Follow Method Statement.			
Herpetofauna (Reptiles & GCN)					Pre-works checks. Follow Method Statement. Clear vegetation outside this period.								
Bat Roosting	Hibernation. Pre-Works Checks. Do not remove hibernation roosts				Maternity Rosting: Pre-works checks. Do not remove trees with maternity roosts.					Hibernation. Pre-Works Checks. Do not remove hibernation roosts			
Otter	Proceed with pre-works checks. Follow method statement. Ecological survey if presence is likely.												
Water Vole		Displacement by habitat removal late feb-early April. Capture and translocation Mid-March to Mid June				Only remove vegetation where water vole are not present							
Activities													
In channel Works	No disturbance to river channel						Gravel, Temp. Crossings, islands etc			No disturbance to river channel			
Bank Enhancements / Re-profiling	Proceed with caution for species presence. Follow Method Statements							Proceed					
Farm / field based works	Proceed according to farmer approval. Follow method statements with caution for protected species where relevant.												
Bridge Works	No disturbance to river channel						Proceed			No disturbance to river channel			
Pollarding / Felling / Tree management	Proceed with pre works checks		Works only with pre-works checks, maybe an ecological survey and ecological clerk of works present, following method statement.									Proceed with pre-works checks	
Seed sowing / translocation		Proceed		Not Ideal			Proceed						
Hedge and Tree Planting	Avoid Periods of hard frost		Not ideal							Avoid Periods of hard frost			
Key	No works possible				Proceed with caution and mitigation				Optimum survey or activity period				