

Queen Rearing Calendar (UK)

Age	Day	Date	Task/Event	Notes	Weather
0	Sunday	22/12/24	Egg laid by breeder/mother queen		
1	Monday	23/12/24			
2	Tuesday	24/12/24			
3	Wednesday	25/12/24	Graft day old larvae and put into queenless hive	No. of cells grafted:	
4	Thursday	26/12/24			Conditions: Overcast Min: 7.5°C Max: 9.5°C Wind: 6.7kph
5	Friday	27/12/24	Check grafts, bees should have started drawing the cells	No. of cells accepted:	Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 5.9°C Max: 8.6°C Wind: 2.9kph
6	Saturday	28/12/24			Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 5.6°C Max: 9.2°C Wind: 6.5kph
7	Sunday	29/12/24			Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 4.5°C Max: 10.1°C Wind: 11.9kph
8	Monday	30/12/24	Cells are capped		Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 6°C Max: 9.2°C Wind: 17.3kph
9	Tuesday	31/12/24	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		Conditions: Rain, Overcast Min: 6°C Max: 10.1°C Wind: 26.3kph
10	Wednesday	01/01/25	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		Conditions: Overcast Min: 8.8°C Max: 11.4°C Wind: 24.5kph
11	Thursday	02/01/25	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		Conditions: Overcast Min: 10.5°C Max: 11.4°C Wind: 27.1kph
12	Friday	03/01/25	Move cells to mating nucs		Conditions: Overcast Min: 9.7°C Max: 12.4°C Wind: 32.8kph
13	Saturday	04/01/25			Conditions: Overcast Min: 7.4°C Max: 9.7°C Wind: 22kph
14	Sunday	05/01/25			Conditions: Overcast Min: 9°C Max: 9.9°C Wind: 33.1kph
15	Monday	06/01/25	Queens should emerge		Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 6.3°C Max: 9.4°C Wind: 35.3kph
16	Tuesday	07/01/25			Conditions: Partially cloudy Min: 3.2°C Max: 7.3°C Wind: 23kph
17	Wednesday	08/01/25	Remove empty queen cell		Conditions: Overcast Min: 2.9°C Max: 4.6°C Wind: 13.7kph
18	Thursday	09/01/25			Conditions: Overcast Min: 4.6°C Max: 11.5°C Wind: 28.8kph
19	Friday	10/01/25			
20	Saturday	11/01/25	Mating flight period starts		
21	Sunday	12/01/25			
22	Monday	13/01/25			
23	Tuesday	14/01/25			
24	Wednesday	15/01/25			
25	Thursday	16/01/25			
26	Friday	17/01/25			
27	Saturday	18/01/25			
28	Sunday	19/01/25			
29	Monday	20/01/25			
30	Tuesday	21/01/25			
31	Wednesday	22/01/25			
32	Thursday	23/01/25			
33	Friday	24/01/25	Check nuc for eggs		
34	Saturday	25/01/25			
35	Sunday	26/01/25			
36	Monday	27/01/25			
37	Tuesday	28/01/25			
38	Wednesday	29/01/25	Check nuc for larvae		
39	Thursday	30/01/25			
40	Friday	31/01/25	If no eggs or larvae re-queen nuc		