

## Badgers and development, licences and mitigation

This course is aimed at people who have attended our 'Badger ecology and surveying' course or are already experienced in undertaking badger surveys and have a good understanding of badger ecology. Following attendance, you should be able to design appropriate survey and mitigation strategies and successfully apply for badger disturbance/exclusion licences.

## Course content:

- Legislation, protection and planning considerations
- Guidance on 'current use' and interpretation of 'disturbance'
- Licensing, including types of licence available
- Survey requirements
- Dealing with badgers on a development site
- Dealing with badgers causing damage
- Comparison between rural and urban badgers
- Mitigation techniques, including practical measures and techniques, designing and building artificial badger setts
- Sett exclusion and live digs
- Case studies

A course certificate will be issued following completion of a test.