



Hazel dormouse ecology & survey

This introductory course will provide the skills and knowledge to undertake surveys for hazel dormouse. The course is part classroom and part field based.

Course content:

- Legislation and conservation priorities
- Dormouse ecology
- Identifying field signs and potential confusion with other species
- Assessing habitat suitability for dormice
- Survey methods, including hazelnuts, hair-tubes, CCTV, wild nest, nest tube and nest box surveys
- Practical experience of planning and undertaking dormouse survey
- Handling and biometric processing of dormice
- Reporting survey results for clients and conservation purposes
- Health and safety considerations

Attendees must be fit and able to walk across rough terrain, and require appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear.

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