



Beaver ecology, survey and management issues

This course will provide you with the knowledge and skills to undertake beaver surveys, experiencing field signs and beaver wetlands first-hand. Potential human-beaver conflicts will also be covered, with information on management solutions and licensing requirements. Attendees should be comfortable with walking outdoors on rough and wet terrain, as the course will include a visit to a watercourse and wetland used by beavers.

Course content:

- Legislation/protection and licensing
- Beaver ecology
- Identifying field signs and potential confusion with other species
- Survey methods, including identification of field signs, use of trail-cams, infra-red and thermal imaging technologies.
- Biosecurity precautions and procedures
- Reporting survey results
- Health and safety considerations

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

A course certificate will be issued following completion of the course.