

BeeBase - An award winning tool designed and run by beekeepers for beekeepers to help you keep healthy bees

Why use BeeBase – what’s in it for me as a beekeeper?

- Request free advisory visits from your local Bee Inspector
- Be alerted to pest and disease problems in your area
- Access to up-to-date pest and disease management leaflets
- Have secure access to your own (and only your own) inspection history and apiary information
- Access to current legislation
- Interactive maps of disease outbreaks
- Post code search facility to find your local Bee Inspector
- Easy access to contact information of NBU support staff
- Access to up-to-date Research & Development information
- You’ll be playing your part as a member of the beekeeping community in helping to sustain honey bees for the future



What is the advantage of an apiary visit?

Our Bee Inspectors are experienced beekeepers who can offer a wealth of beekeeping expertise to help you care for your bees. A typical visit includes; checking brood for notifiable diseases, answering any husbandry queries and offering advice on varroa control and good beekeeping practices.

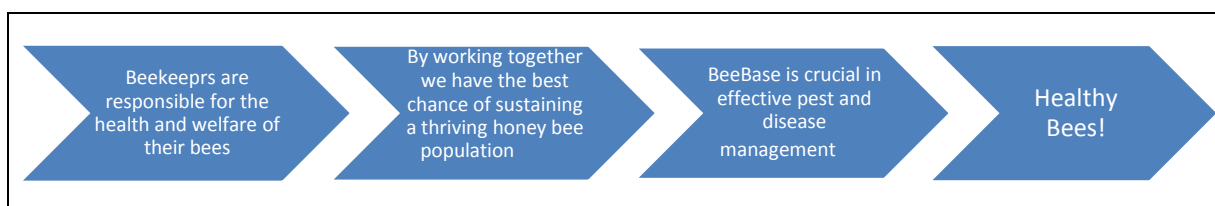
Why is it so important to register on BeeBase?

BeeBase is an important tool in the control of bee diseases and pests. Where pests are confirmed, the NBU can use BeeBase to identify apiaries at risk in the local area and as a result target control measures effectively. By knowing where the bees are, we can help you manage disease risks in your apiaries. Such risks could include the incursion of new pests eg. small hive beetle.



How to register on BeeBase

Registration is easy, simply log on to www.nationalbeeunit.com click register and fill out the one page form. No Computer? No problem – you can also register by phoning the NBU on 01904 462510.



FAQ's

What Happens after I register?

Once registered, BeeBase will inform the Regional Bee Inspector who may then contact you directly to check whether you would like to arrange a free advisory visit to your apiary by your local Bee Inspector. After the visit your local Bee Inspector will be on hand to offer free advice and support.

In the event of finding notifiable disease (AFB, EFB) the Bee Inspector will implement controls and check nearby colonies within 3-5Km radius of the initial outbreak. He/she will also advise on what steps you can take to minimise the risk of re-infection.

How secure is the database?

Access to the secure part of BeeBase is by user name and password only which means that registered beekeepers can only access their own records. BeeBase is run over https, the same technology used by banks to secure websites requiring a username and password to ensure neither can be intercepted.

Will any details be passed on to anyone else?

No, BeeBase is registered with the Information Commissioner and all Fera employees including the NBU and its Bee Inspectors are bound by the terms of confidentiality and the Data Protection Act. No details are passed to any third parties, including other Government Departments.