

Great Crested Newt & Reptile Survey Courses 2009

Training for professionals



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The Herpetological Conservation Trust
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Great Crested Newt Survey Training (£80)

- Training will cover:**
- Species identification
 - An introduction to legislation
 - Great crested newt ecology
 - Natural England survey methods
 - Survey planning
 - Habitat Suitability Index for great crested newt

Thursday April 2nd • 12 noon - 10pm*

Venue: Creech Heath (SSSI), Furzebrook, Dorset, BH20 5AR

Trainers: Dorothy Wright and David Orchard

Tuesday April 21st • 12 noon - 10pm*

Venue: Rixton Claypits Local Nature Reserve (SAC, SSSI), Warrington Cheshire, WA3 6EB

Trainers: John Baker and David Orchard

Reptile Survey Training (£80)

- Training will cover:**
- Species identification
 - An introduction to legislation
 - Reptile ecology
 - Survey methods
 - Survey planning

Friday April 3rd • 10am - 5pm*

Venue: Creech Heath (SSSI), Furzebrook, Dorset, BH20 5AR

Trainer: John Baker

Wednesday April 15th • 10am - 5pm*

Venue: Bramfield, Suffolk, IP19 9HZ

Trainer: John Baker

Wednesday April 22nd • 10am - 5pm*

Venue: Risley Moss Local Nature Reserve (SAC, SSSI), Warrington Cheshire, WA3 6QX

Trainers: David Orchard and Rob Smith

**Tea and coffee will be provided at each of these events but please bring your own sandwiches for lunch. Both great crested newt courses will include a break for an evening meal (please note this cost is not included in the course fee).*

Great Crested Newts, Licensing and Mitigation

Natural England Template for Method Statement to support application for licence in respect of great crested newts (Form WML-A14-2)

(£120/day plus food and accommodation)

A two-day residential course will take place in Lancashire in late summer/early autumn, focusing on the skills required to plan a great crested newt mitigation project. It will look at issues surrounding the management and successful completion of these projects and will consider, in detail, issues pertaining to the Natural England Template for Method Statement to support application for licence in respect of great crested newts (Form WML-A14-2). The course will include a scenario based on a local site and participants will complete a licence application during the course.

This course is designed for those ecologists with a firm grasp of great crested newt survey techniques and with some experience of great crested newt licensing and mitigation projects. It will also be useful for local authority ecologists and planners who need to assess and comment on planning issues that relate to great crested newts.

The course will not cover great crested newt survey techniques.

If you would like to reserve a place on this course, please register your interest with The HCT.

For further information please contact David Orchard at :

david.orchard@herpconstrust.org.uk

About the HCT...

The Herpetological Conservation Trust specialises in the conservation of amphibians and reptiles (herpetofauna). Since it was established in 1989, the HCT has:

- established a network of nature reserves to protect and ensure the survival of our rarest amphibians and reptiles.
- represented the interests of our native amphibians and reptiles at national and European level.
- managed the sand lizard re-introduction programme - thought to be one of the most successful projects of its kind in the world.
- reintroduced natterjack toads and the pool frog to sites in England.

The HCT is also lead or joint lead partner for the great crested newt, natterjack toad, sand lizard, smooth snake and pool frog Species Action Plans.

The HCT's Professional Training Courses are aimed at ecological consultants, local authority staff and site managers. The HCT also runs training courses for volunteers - for more information on volunteer training opportunities please contact us.

HCT Training Courses Booking Form

Delegate details (BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE)

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Surname:

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Contact details *e-mail: _____

Phone:

Landline: _____

Mobile: _____

Company Name: _____

Invoice Address: _____

Course(s) required (Tick box):

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Please send your completed booking form and payment to Angela Reynolds at:

The Herpetological Conservation Trust

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Please use a separate booking form for each participant and make cheques payable to:

The Herpetological Conservation Trust

* Your confirmation of booking and course details will be sent by e-mail.

Cancellations: A 75% refund will be made if cancellations are made in writing at least three weeks prior to the course date. No refunds will be made if cancellations are received within three weeks of the course date.