



## Charge form – mitigation licence – bats

This form will be used to assess whether your licence is:

- free
- a fixed price of £500
- a variable price – you can request a price indication

• All questions should be answered as appropriate. Questions or options within questions marked with \* are mandatory. Failure to complete these may result in delays to your application. Your responses should match the information in your Application Form or your Method Statement.

• Natural England will aim to deliver a price indication within its published service standards.

### Using and sharing your information

The Data Controller is Natural England. For further information on how we process your personal information please see the Wildlife Licensing privacy notice [www.gov.uk/government/publications/natural-england-privacy-notice](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/natural-england-privacy-notice) .

### Section A. Applicant details

Forename			
Surname			
Company name			
Address			
Town/City			
County		Postcode	
Telephone number		Mobile	
Email address			

### Section B. Is there a charge for my licence?

#### Is my application charged for?

Select any option that applies in Table 1a.

Table 1a. Charge exemptions		
My application is for:	Relevant options on the Application Form	Options selected
1. Householder home improvement project such as a loft conversion, an	Question 5(d) Project Category : Householder home improvement OR	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p>extension, conservatory or garage.</p> <p>I have householder planning consent or no consent is required</p>	<p>Question 11(a)(5) Consent Status : No consent required. (Question 5(a) Project Description should describe a home improvement that does not require planning consent.)</p>	
<p>2. Health and safety</p>	<p>Question 5c Purpose: Preserving public health or public safety, under section 55(2)(e).</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>3. Preventing the spread of disease</p>	<p>Question 5c Purpose: Preventing the spread of disease, under section 55(2)(f).</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>4. Preventing serious damage</p>	<p>Question 5c Purpose: Preventing serious damage to livestock, foodstuffs for livestock, crops, vegetables, fruit, growing timber, fisheries or inland waters, or any other form of property under section 55(2)(g).</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5. Historic building conservation</p> <p>The building or structure must be <u>one or more</u> of the following: a scheduled monument, a listed building or a registered place of worship</p> <p>OR</p> <p>a traditional farm building in a Stewardship agreement (Option HS1/HD1)</p>	<p>Question 11(f) Consent Obtained : Listed building consent</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Question 11(f) Consent Obtained Other: Scheduled monument consent</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Question 11(f) Consent Obtained Other: Faculty consent (for a place of worship (Question 6 Site Name should state the name of the place of worship)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Question 5(a) Purpose Project Description should be clear that the traditional farm building is in Stewardship and quote the Agreement Number</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>† Applications made for both 'preserving public health or public safety' and 'imperative reasons of overriding public interest of a social or economic nature' under 55(2)(e) at Question 5 Purpose will be charged for, unless another charge exemption applies.</p>		

**If you have chosen one of the options in Table 1a your licence is free, you do not need to complete any more of this form. Submit this form with your application to [eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk) .**

The charge will also be exempted if it is an important roost and it will be retained unaltered in the structure. **Evidence is mandatory for criteria marked \***. Completing Table 1b will probably need the advice of an ecological consultant.

Select the option in Table 1b if it applies.

<p><b>Table 1b. Charge exemption – conservation of a bat roost in situ</b></p>
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My application is for	Relevant options on the Application Form or Method Statement	All relevant options selected
<p>1. Conserving a bat roost in situ.</p> <p>The roost is a maternity, swarming or hibernation roost *</p> <p>OR</p> <p>The roost is a day roost containing 3 or more bats at one time.*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>The roost will be unaffected by the proposal*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>The roosting space(s), and pre-emergent flight areas remain accessible to bats and keep the same length, height and width*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Access points will remain unaltered*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>For roof roosts, the roof timbers remain unaltered*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>No more than 5% of the building materials in the roost space is replaced.*</p> <p>AND</p> <p>The temperature and humidity of the roost remain unaltered.</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Light levels inside and outside the roost and flight paths to and from the roost will remain unaffected.*</p>	<p>Application Form Question 9 Expected roost type affected: maternity, swarming or hibernation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Application Form Question 9 Expected roost type affected: day roost AND Maximum number of bats to be licensed</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Method Statement: Roost Modification D2.1 conclusion 'no change to roost post-development'</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Method Statement: Roost dimension modifications E3.2 'N/A'</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Method Statement: Dimension details of modified access points E3.2 'N/A'</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Method Statement: Other modifications to the roost E3.2 'N/A'</p> <p>AND</p> <p>Method Statement: Mitigation for any impacts of lighting E3.2 'N/A'</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

**If you have chosen the option in Table 1b your licence is free, you do not need to complete any more of this form. Submit this form with your application to [eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk) .**

If you have chosen ‘A purpose not specified in Regulation 55(2) that is consistent with Article 16(1)(e ) of the Habitats Directive, under Section 55(4).’, you should contact Natural England at [eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk) to discuss your choice and whether a charge may apply.

If you have not chosen any of the options in Table 1a or Table 1b, your licence will be charged for.

### Section C. – Invoicing details

**Only complete this section if your licence is charged for.**

Please note:

- if the section below needs to be completed and is left blank, the form will be returned to you for completion. Licence assessment will not commence until these details are provided.
- requests for changes to invoice details made *after* an invoice has been issued (including missing purchase order numbers) will be subject to a £101 administration charge.

<b>Invoicing details</b> – details of where the invoice will be sent for payment			
Company name			
Address			
Town/City			
County		Postcode	
Telephone number		Mobile	
Email address for all invoices			
Customer contact name			
Email address (if different to invoicing address)			
Does your finance department require a purchase order number to be quoted on invoices? If YES, PO number <u>must</u> be provided below	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Purchase order number			

### Section D. Licence cost

#### How much will my licence cost?

The charge for a licence is either fixed price at £500 or is variably priced, depending on the time taken to assess it. A variable price is calculated to the nearest quarter of an hour, based on an hourly rate of £101.

If your application is for one of the following species and one of the following roost types, your licence will be a fixed price of £500. Your selections must be supported by evidence in your Application Form. **Selecting criteria marked \* is mandatory.**

<b>Table 2. Fixed price selection</b>		
My application is for:	Relevant options on the Application Form	Options selected
Is <u>not</u> a phased or multi-plot development.*	Question 5e Purpose	<input type="checkbox"/>
Will <u>not</u> impact on a Site of Special Scientific Interest, a Special Protection Area or a Special Area of Conservation.*	Question 7a Conservation Considerations	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Your application is only for the following species</b>		
Is for: common pipistrelle, soprano pipistrelle, whiskered, Brandt's , Daubenton's, brown long-eared or serotine† AND Is only for the following roost types: day roost or night roost or feeding perch or transitional/occasional.  AND/OR  lesser horseshoe bat‡ AND Is for a day roost or transitional/occasional roost	Question 9 Application details: Species AND  Question 9. Roost type affected	<input type="checkbox"/>
† For applications affecting <u>serotine</u> in the following counties Kent, East Sussex, West Sussex, Surrey, Greater London, Hertfordshire, Essex, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Hampshire, Wiltshire, Somerset, Dorset and Devon.		
‡ For applications affecting <u>lesser horseshoe bat</u> in the following counties Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Bristol, Wiltshire, Dorset, Gloucestershire and Herefordshire.		

**If your application only includes the species and roost type combinations in Table 2, your application is fixed price and you should not complete any more of this form.** Submit the form with your application to [eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk).

If your application:

- does not match any of the criteria in Table 2 or
- has species and roost combinations in addition to those in Table 2

your licence will be variable price.

Most variable price bat licences are likely to cost between £1113 and £2123, including the compliance check charge. A few licences will cost more than this.

Natural England will provide a price indication to the nearest day on request, see section E.

**If you do not want a price indication for your variable price licence do not complete any more of this form. Submit the form with your application to [eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:eps.mitigation@naturalengland.org.uk) .**

**Section E. Price Indication request**

To be completed only if a price indication is required.

Site name	
Site address	

If Natural England has provided previous advice on this development site please quote our reference number, the date of correspondence and the Natural England contact name(s) below.

Reference number	
Date advice given	
Natural England staff member who provided the advice	

Which aspects of the application are likely to make the application more complex to assess?

<b>Table 3. Select all the factors that apply to your application.</b>	
Phased development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-building/multi roost sites	<input type="checkbox"/>
The presence of the rarest species*	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regionally/nationally important roost sites/ populations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Surveys outside of current guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/>
Novel mitigation and compensation approaches	<input type="checkbox"/>
Request to use New Licensing Policies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other reasons why you want a price indication	<input type="checkbox"/>
*Wray, S., Wells, D., Long, E., Mitchell-Jones, T., Valuing bats in ecological impact assessment, <i>In Practice</i> , December 2010 p23-25	

Please provide a brief outline of the above and state which section of the Method Statement contains further details.

An adviser may contact you to discuss the details of your Price Indication Request. If you prefer the adviser to speak to the ecological consultant please provide their name and telephone number.

Charge screening for A13

Consultant name	
Consultant telephone number	
Consultant email	

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