



# Devon Beekeepers (DBKA & DARG)

DBKA Registered Charity Number 270675

## Nosema Survey Form – 2010



Reference:  
(For official use)

Beekeeper	apiary
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Name		Address		
Telephone				
Email		Post code		
Apiary Name		4 Fig. Grid Ref <input type="text" value="SS"/> <input type="text" value="SX"/>		

Hive Ref	Hive medications in 2009-now (See Notes)	Nosema last year?	New combs?	Queen origin
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Please tick if you do not wish your details to be passed to the National Bee Unit (NBU)

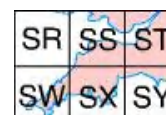
### Devon Nosema Survey - 2010

The purpose of the survey is to discover the extent of Nosema in Devon as accurately as possible. We will have a team of microscopists who will examine your bees for signs of Nosema. Please include a stamped-addressed-envelope with sample to enable us to post your results back to you.

### GUIDANCE NOTES

**Apiary Name** - If your hives are located at your home – just complete this field as ‘home’. Please continue on a separate sheet for additional apiaries.

**4 Fig. Grid Ref** (if known) - The 4 figure grid reference will enable us to map the results broadly to location – to determine if there is a higher incidence of the condition in one or other part of the county. Please ensure you enter the correct 2 letter prefix by deleting the incorrect one on the form.



**Hive Ref** - Use your own numbering/identification reference. This is important so that you can know which results belong to which hives.

**Hive medications in 2009-now** - What treatments were applied to this hive in 2009-now? For example - Oxalic acid, Apiguard, Formic Acid, Fumidil B, state other, none? (Up to 3 – if there were more, list the most recent 3).

**Nosema last year?** – If this colony was tested for Nosema last year, by DBKA or otherwise, please state result – nil, light, medium, heavy.

**New Combs?** – How many new combs were given to this colony last year? eg All; more than half; less than half

**Queen origin** – Where is the origin of the current queen? For example – Local, Greece, Hawii, Unknown. (Up to 2<sup>nd</sup> generation)

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAMPLING:

1. Thirty (30) mature bees will be needed for the test. Choose a day and time when the bees are flying actively.
2. Close the entrance for a while until returning bees are crowding the entrance. Use a polythene bag and brush 30+ bees into it. Seal the bag and label with hive reference and place in a freezer immediately.
3. Remove the bees only on the day of the test to minimise decomposition.
4. Bees sent by post should be taken out of the polythene bag just before posting and placed in a suitable permeable container such as a matchbox and sent by first class post to Glyn Davies or Adam Vevers. (See DBKA Year Book) Bees and details can be sent with a fellow member on the day (on a separate form).
5. Please complete the details requested on the front of this form clearly. Continue on reverse or new sheet if required.
6. Please deliver the samples between 10.30 am and 2.30 pm at either: April 10, 2010 – Westhill Village Hall, Ottery St Mary or April 11, 2010 – Village Hall, Cheriton Bishop. Directions on [www.devonbeekeepers.org.uk/news.html](http://www.devonbeekeepers.org.uk/news.html)

