



North Somerset Bat Survey

Quick Start Guide



Deploying the Bat Detector

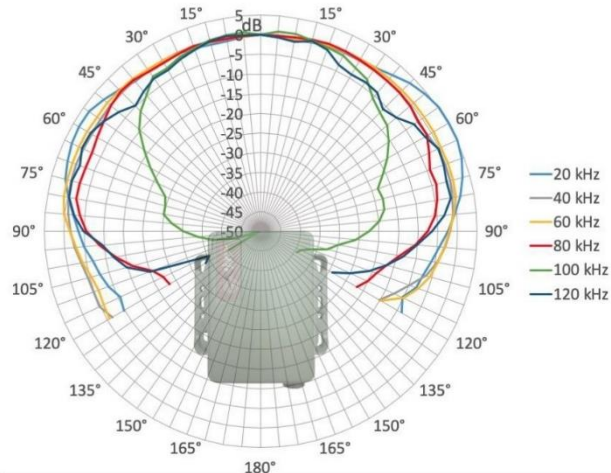
Choosing your location

- Your detector should be deployed in a suitable location such as on a woodland ride or edge. The location **should not be in an area visible to the public or where the microphone is obstructed**. This is very important for collecting good quality data and increasing the likelihood of detecting bats.
- Please double check that your chosen location is **within your survey square**.
- Here's some guidance on where to place your detector:

Do's	Don'ts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make sure that the microphone is not obstructed by anything such as vegetation. Point it away from your feature• Deploy the detector near to linear landscape features (e.g. hedgerows or lines of trees), water (e.g. river or stream banks) or other natural landscape features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deploy the detector near to areas with lighting (some bats do not like light!)• Deploy the detector in areas with lots of disturbances (e.g. near busy roads)• Deploy the detector in reach of livestock (they trample and lick the equipment!)• Deploy the detector where it is visible to the public or in a hedgerow which will be trimmed

The areas which can be picked up by the microphone are shown below, please do not obstruct these areas.

Song Meter Mini Bat Directionality (Horizontal)



Song Meter Mini Bat Directionality (Vertical)

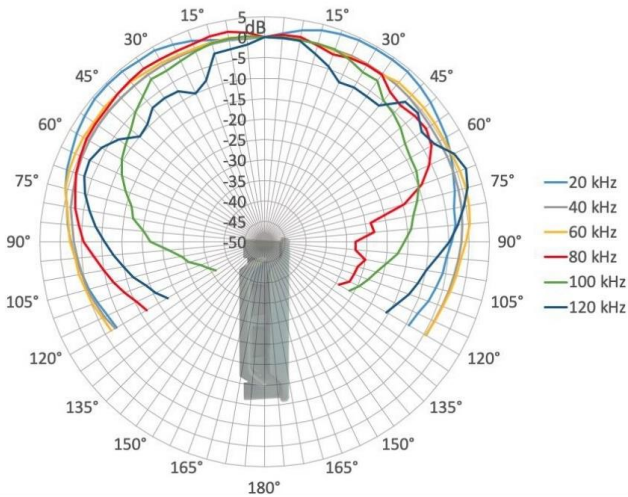


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