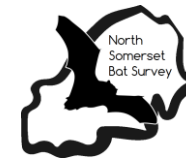


# North Somerset Bat Survey

## Detector Hosting Centres- What to do



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### Start of survey season

Survey staff will drop off:

- Bat detector kits
- Spare SD cards in small box
- Signing in/out sheets

### After detector kit has been booked

- You will receive an email containing information on who has booked it and for when.
- Based on the instructions you have provided, the volunteer may be in contact to arrange the collection.
- You will also receive a reminder email a couple of days before the collection day.

### Kit collection

- Before the kit is collected, double check all the equipment is in the box.
- Ask for volunteer's name and check it with your booking confirmation email.
  - Give volunteer any box (kit number doesn't matter).
- Staff and volunteer to complete the signing sheet (make sure all sections are completed)

### Kit return

- Check all equipment has been returned **before** the volunteer leaves.
- Staff and volunteer to complete the signing sheet. (Please keep all signing sheets)

### End of survey season

Survey staff will collect:

- Bat detector kits.
- Spare SD cards in small box.
- Completed signing in/out sheets.

### Volunteer not turned up?

Contact details for volunteers will be provided in the booking confirmation email, please call them to collect the kit on the agreed date.

If you are unable to contact them, email [northsomersetbats@bath.ac.uk](mailto:northsomersetbats@bath.ac.uk) to let us know.

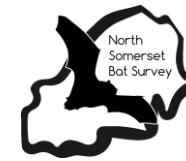
### Equipment missing, broken/faulty (including posted SD cards)?

Email [northsomersetbats@bath.ac.uk](mailto:northsomersetbats@bath.ac.uk) and let us know what the problem is. We will arrange an equipment replacement. In the meantime, please provide volunteers with the other available kits.

Volunteers who are unable to upload their recordings themselves have been asked to post us their SD card at home. If the SD card is missing, check with the volunteer why this is. If it is, replace the card with another one from the small spares box. Make a note of the new SD card number and which kit it is in and email us this information.

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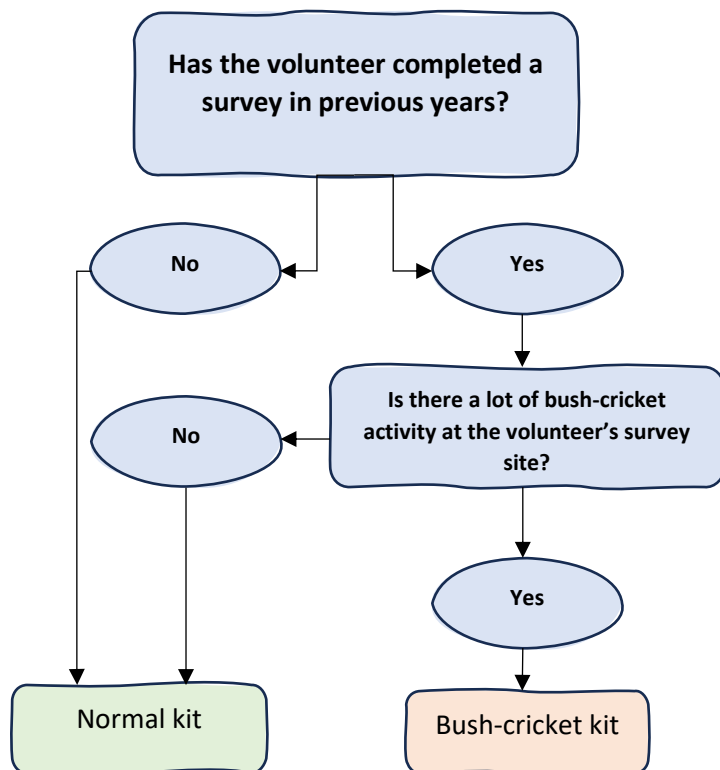
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### New for 2024: Bush-cricket kits

In response to the challenges faced by volunteers last year, where detectors prematurely ran out of battery in areas with significant bush-cricket activity, we are introducing a new type of kit. These 'bush-cricket kits', equipped with **lithium-ion batteries**, are specifically designed for deployment in areas with high levels of bush-cricket activity. The goal is to ensure that these kits can sustain the entire duration of a volunteer's 6-night survey. Please note, the use of these kits is entirely **optional** and recommended only for experienced volunteers (refer to the flow-chart below for guidance). Bush-cricket kits are labelled with a red sticker to distinguish them from 'normal' kits.

### Should I use a bush-cricket kit?



### Kit contents:

