

# Queen Rearing Calendar (UK)

Age	Day	Date	Task/Event	Notes	Weather
0	Wednesday	29/04/2026	Egg laid by breeder/mother queen		
1	Thursday	30/04/2026			
2	Friday	01/05/2026			
3	Saturday	02/05/2026	Graft day old larvae and put into queenless hive	No. of cells grafted:	
4	Sunday	03/05/2026			
5	Monday	04/05/2026	Check grafts, bees should have started drawing the cells	No. of cells accepted:	
6	Tuesday	05/05/2026			
7	Wednesday	06/05/2026			
8	Thursday	07/05/2026	Cells are capped		
9	Friday	08/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
10	Saturday	09/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
11	Sunday	10/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
12	Monday	11/05/2026	Move cells to mating nucs		
13	Tuesday	12/05/2026			
14	Wednesday	13/05/2026			
15	Thursday	14/05/2026	Queens should emerge		
16	Friday	15/05/2026			
17	Saturday	16/05/2026	Remove empty queen cell		
18	Sunday	17/05/2026			

19	Monday	18/05/2026			
20	Tuesday	19/05/2026	Mating flight period starts		
21	Wednesday	20/05/2026			
22	Thursday	21/05/2026			
23	Friday	22/05/2026			
24	Saturday	23/05/2026			
25	Sunday	24/05/2026			
26	Monday	25/05/2026			
27	Tuesday	26/05/2026			
28	Wednesday	27/05/2026			
29	Thursday	28/05/2026			
30	Friday	29/05/2026			
31	Saturday	30/05/2026			
32	Sunday	31/05/2026			
33	Monday	01/06/2026	Check nuc for eggs		
34	Tuesday	02/06/2026			
35	Wednesday	03/06/2026			
36	Thursday	04/06/2026			
37	Friday	05/06/2026			
38	Saturday	06/06/2026	Check nuc for larvae		
39	Sunday	07/06/2026			
40	Monday	08/06/2026	If no eggs or larvae re-queen nuc		