

Queen Rearing Calendar (UK)

Age	Day	Date	Task/Event	Notes	Weather
0	Saturday	02/05/2026	Egg laid by breeder/mother queen		
1	Sunday	03/05/2026			
2	Monday	04/05/2026			
3	Tuesday	05/05/2026	Graft day old larvae and put into queenless hive	No. of cells grafted:	
4	Wednesday	06/05/2026			
5	Thursday	07/05/2026	Check grafts, bees should have started drawing the cells	No. of cells accepted:	
6	Friday	08/05/2026			
7	Saturday	09/05/2026			
8	Sunday	10/05/2026	Cells are capped		
9	Monday	11/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
10	Tuesday	12/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
11	Wednesday	13/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
12	Thursday	14/05/2026	Move cells to mating nucs		
13	Friday	15/05/2026			
14	Saturday	16/05/2026			
15	Sunday	17/05/2026	Queens should emerge		
16	Monday	18/05/2026			
17	Tuesday	19/05/2026	Remove empty queen cell		
18	Wednesday	20/05/2026			

19	Thursday	21/05/2026			
20	Friday	22/05/2026	Mating flight period starts		
21	Saturday	23/05/2026			
22	Sunday	24/05/2026			
23	Monday	25/05/2026			
24	Tuesday	26/05/2026			
25	Wednesday	27/05/2026			
26	Thursday	28/05/2026			
27	Friday	29/05/2026			
28	Saturday	30/05/2026			
29	Sunday	31/05/2026			
30	Monday	01/06/2026			
31	Tuesday	02/06/2026			
32	Wednesday	03/06/2026			
33	Thursday	04/06/2026	Check nuc for eggs		
34	Friday	05/06/2026			
35	Saturday	06/06/2026			
36	Sunday	07/06/2026			
37	Monday	08/06/2026			
38	Tuesday	09/06/2026	Check nuc for larvae		
39	Wednesday	10/06/2026			
40	Thursday	11/06/2026	If no eggs or larvae re-queen nuc		