Queen Rearing Calendar (UK)

Age	Day	Date	Task/Event	Notes	Weather
0	Monday	18/05/2026	Egg layed by breeder/mother queen		
1	Tuesday	19/05/2026			
2	Wednesday	20/05/2026			
3	Thursday	21/05/2026	Graft day old larvae and put into queenless hive	No. of cells grafted:	
4	Friday	22/05/2026			
5	Saturday	23/05/2026	Check grafts, bees should have started drawing the cells	No. of cells accepted:	
6	Sunday	24/05/2026			
7	Monday	25/05/2026			
8	Tuesday	26/05/2026	Cells are capped		
9	Wednesday	27/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
10	Thursday	28/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
11	Friday	29/05/2026	Avoid moving cells/be gentle if opening hive		
12	Saturday	30/05/2026	Move cells to mating nucs		
13	Sunday	31/05/2026			
14	Monday	01/06/2026			
15	Tuesday	02/06/2026	Queens should emerge		
16	Wednesday	03/06/2026			
17	Thursday	04/06/2026	Remove empty queen cell		
18	Friday	05/06/2026			

19	Saturday	06/06/2026			
20	Sunday	07/06/2026	Mating flight period starts		
21	Monday	08/06/2026			
22	Tuesday	09/06/2026			
23	Wednesday	10/06/2026			
24	Thursday	11/06/2026			
25	Friday	12/06/2026			
26	Saturday	13/06/2026			
27	Sunday	14/06/2026			
28	Monday	15/06/2026			
29	Tuesday	16/06/2026			
30	Wednesday	17/06/2026			
31	Thursday	18/06/2026			
32	Friday	19/06/2026			
33	Saturday	20/06/2026	Check nuc for eggs		
34	Sunday	21/06/2026			
35	Monday	22/06/2026			
36	Tuesday	23/06/2026			
37	Wednesday	24/06/2026			
38	Thursday	25/06/2026	Check nuc for larvae		
39	Friday	26/06/2026			
40	Saturday	27/06/2026	If no eggs or larvae re-queen nuc		