Introduction

Froglife is a wildlife charity that has been working to conserve the UK’s native reptiles and amphibians since 1989. We work nationally on projects ranging from habitat creation, restoration and species assessments to educational projects, working with youth offenders, schools and youth groups. Froglife Ecological Services (FES) is our social enterprise, with all profits gifted to the Trust. Our expertise enables Froglife to deliver a number of training courses appropriate for both beginners and experienced naturalists alike.

We have delivered a wide range of courses for organisations such as councils and government departments (e.g. Fera and Natural England), charities and volunteer groups.

Our current standard courses include:
* Great Crested Newt Survey: Working Towards a Licence
* Reptile Ecology and Survey Techniques
* Habitat Creation, Restoration and Enhancement for Amphibians

Photograph and feedback from a Scottish Great Crested Newt course
Great Crested Newt: Working Towards a Licence

Beginner/Intermediate

This course is aimed at those who are just starting out with great crested newt surveys, or may have completed one season of surveys, and would like to broaden their training in order to work towards their great crested newt class 1 survey licence.

Following successful completion of the course you can gain a reference from Froglife which can be used in support of an application to Natural England to survey for great crested newts.

Broad course overview:

* Identification, distribution and ecology of great crested newts
* Legal protection and licensing requirements
* Disease control during surveys
Reptile Ecology and Survey Techniques

Beginner/Intermediate

This course covers the identification, ecology and habitat requirements of all the reptile species native to the UK. The course will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need in order to competently carry out surveys for the adder, grass snake, common lizard and slow-worm.

The day includes a theory session alongside the opportunity to practice surveying in the field.

Broad course overview:

* Identification
* Distribution and ecology
* Legal protection
* Survey techniques
* Practical session
Habitat Creation, Restoration and Enhancement for Amphibians

Beginner-Advanced

This course covers the key principles of creating and restoring aquatic and terrestrial habitats for the benefit of amphibians. The course will look at the habitat requirements of amphibians and how best to create or restore areas benefiting these charismatic species. This is a one day course which will include a field trip to look at one of Froglife’s many successful pond creation and restoration sites.

Broad course overview:

* Overview of habitat requirements of amphibians
* Current state of habitat availability in the UK
* Creating new aquatic and terrestrial habitats

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Booking a Course

Our courses are designed to offer something for everyone, from complete beginner to a more experienced naturalist or environmental professional.

Most of our courses involve an element of field work or site visits. In general our courses last for one day; however the Great Crested Newt: Working Towards a Licence course requires evening fieldwork and a short additional classroom session the following morning.

In addition to our standard courses we are able to offer bespoke training courses to cater to groups such as NGOs, charities, government departments, volunteer groups, ‘Friends of’ groups and local councils.

Courses listed in this programme are run from several locations; however if you would like to book a bespoke training course we are able to run this from your group’s own venue, providing there are suitable facilities available.

Places are limited and are on a first come first served basis. **Full payment is required on booking.** Group bookings require a minimum of 5 participants and have a maximum capacity of 10 unless otherwise agreed by prior arrangement.

**Training course availability:**
The courses listed overleaf run on set dates, a timetable for which is given below. If you are interested in a bespoke training course please get in touch to discuss possible dates. For more information on our training courses please email: marie.homewood@fles.org. For bookings please see below.

**Course locations:**
Our courses are held at one of four locations spread across the UK: London, Peterborough, York and Gartcosh in North Lanarkshire, Scotland. Details of the training locations will be provided nearer to the time of course delivery.

*Please note:* several of our courses are delivered at different locations on the same date. **When booking, please ensure you specify the correct training location.**

**Pre-course information:**
Information about each course, including location, facilities and what to bring will be emailed to participants one month prior to course delivery.

To book a course please fill in the booking form and submit to: marie.homewood@fles.org

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# Course locations and dates 2021

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Froglife Ecological Services is a social enterprise with all profits supporting the work of The Froglife Trust for native amphibians and reptiles.

Below are our set fees for courses. Courses will only go ahead if there is enough interest. Cancellations by participants less than one week prior to course delivery will not be eligible for a refund. Should a course not go ahead for any reason your payment will be returned.

Bespoke training can be provided for organisations or groups, but additional charges will apply to allow for the production of the course and travel/overnight costs if required.

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Contact us to discuss your requirements

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