

# [Form: Bats: licence to disturb or take bats for science or conservation \(A34, Class-A34 and LR34\)](#)

*Updated:* Separate class licence registration form Class-A34 added for volunteer bat roost visitor and survey use.

## **Personal licences**

You should use form A34 to apply for a personal:

- research licence for scientific projects
- licence for photography or other special projects

To apply for a personal licence you need to include a project plan showing the objectives of the project and why the work is necessary.

## **Volunteer bat roost visitor licences**

You should use form Class A-34 to register for a:

- level 1 volunteer bat roost visitor (VBRV) licence (allows you to do visits for Natural England's bat advice service)
- level 2 VBRV licence (allows you to train new volunteers towards their level 1 licence)
- bat survey licence for science or education

When applying for your first level 1 VBRV licence you must:

- have your application form endorsed by a registered and licensed trainer
- be registered as a Natural England volunteer (email [batvolunteers@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:batvolunteers@naturalengland.org.uk) to do this)

When applying for your first level 2 VBRV licence you must:

- already have a level 1 licence
- already be registered as a Natural England volunteer
- have completed Natural England's 'train the trainer' course

You'll need a [different licence](#) to capture, disturb or transport bats, or damage their roosts.

## **References**

You may need to complete a [reference form](#) when you apply for these licences

if you:

- haven't held a licence for the species or a similar species for the last 3 years
- have a licence but want to add new methods

## **How to report your actions**

You must report any actions you took using these licences on the report form LR34 on this page. You must a report no later than 2 weeks after your licence expires, even if you've taken no action. Send your completed form by post or email to Natural England using the details on the form.