

Bee yard: maintenance log

1. User:
 - all beekeepers, especially those with large seasonal staff
2. Frequency of use:
 - as required
3. Reasons for recording this information include:
 - bee management
 - help schedule and organize bee yard tasks
 - communication
 - it can be a communication tool for beekeepers and staff
 - the log can be used either to assign tasks to staff, or for staff to make note of what needs to be done in the bee yard
 - how it is used will depend on individual beekeeper needs and organizational style
 - bee biosecurity
 - helps ensure correct protocol followed
 - removal of equipment which might be contaminated with disease
 - a tool for managing bee yards to reduce disease
 - food safety
 - a tool for managing bee yards to help reduce likelihood of honey contaminants
4. References to the Bee Biosecurity Standard and CBISQT:
 - Bee Biosecurity Standard: pages 76-81 and 122
 - CBISQT: pages 11-14
 - this template is not an adaptation of Bee Biosecurity Standard or CBISQT forms
5. General comments:
 - this tool may be especially beneficial when used together with a map of the bee yard to illustrate areas of particular concern (e.g., specific hives, tree branches which need to be removed) to staff
 - beekeepers may find it handy to keep a few blank paper copies of this template (or their equivalent) in their bee truck/vehicle
 - beekeepers may find a separate log for each bee yard makes more sense for their needs and organizational style