

Bee yard: map

1. User:
 - all beekeepers, especially those with large seasonal staff
2. Frequency of use:
 - as required
 - will need to be updated whenever there is a change in the bee yard
3. Reasons for recording this information include:
 - bee management
 - helps organize bee yard tasks (e.g., where to place colonies which are moved into the yard)
 - communication
 - it's a tool to help communication with inspectors (e.g., provincial apiarists, bee inspectors, crop insurance, extension staff)
 - it can be a communication tool between beekeepers and their staff
 - the map 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
 - bee biosecurity
 - a tool to help reduce disease in bee yards
4. References to the Bee Biosecurity Standard and CBISQT:
 - Bee Biosecurity Standard: pages 31-34
 - CBISQT: none
 - this template is not an adaptation of Bee Biosecurity Standard or CBISQT forms
5. General comments:
 - this record can be an effective tool when used together with bee yard maintenance log and bee yard colony log, particularly for beekeepers who have a large seasonal staff
 - the format of bee yard maps (e.g., digital or hand drawn) depends on beekeeper preference and record keeping style
 - beekeepers should keep in mind that they need to be comfortable with whatever format is used because updated will be needed if/when changes are made to the bee yard
 - beekeepers may find it handy to keep a few blank paper copies of this template (or their equivalent) in their bee truck/vehicle