Hive Record Card

Apiary			Colony						Queen bred from Year			
Date	Q	QC	Brood	Stores	Room	Health	Varroa	Temper	Feed	Supers	Weather	Notes

^{*} See reverse for key to symbols *

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Date	Date of Inspection	Varroa	The number of Varroa mites in	
Date	Date of Inspection	varroa	colony	
			(l,m,h=low, medium or hig, (say) 1000=estimated poula- tion)	
Q	Presence of the Queen	Temper	The docility of the colony	
	(P Queen seen, x Queen not found, c Queen clipped,		(10=nice calm bees, 8=agitated, 6=bees sting etc.)	
	W,Y,R,G,B Queen marked with appropriate colour code)	Feed	How much feed given	
QC	Presence of Queen Cells		(2LS=2litres of light syrup, 1HS=1lites heavy syrup etc.)	
	(x=none, 10x=10 seen but all removed, 2L=2 seen and left alone)	Supers	How many supers removed or added	The examples given in brackets illustrate how a numerical scoring system can be derived. If the records are to be used for the Certificate in Beekeeping Husbandry the scoring system should be explained to the assessor.
Brood	State of the Brood		(1=one super added, -0.5 frames removed etc.)	
	(e=eggs seen, P=brood patternOK, 3=brood covering 3 frames, x=no brood)	Weathe	r The temperature and cloud cover	Either Metric or Imperial units may be used.
Stores	The quantity of stores available		(c=cloudy, s=sunny, r=rainy, f=fair)	
	(10=equivalent of 10 super frames available)	Notes	Anything of interest to add	The headings marked in bold are important and must be maintained for the Certificate in Beekeeping Husbandry.
Room	The avaialble space for the Queen to lay eggs		(lots of propolis, brood box needs repair etc.)	
	(5=equivalent of 5 brood frames available)			If you are not sure whether a disease is present, it is advised that you consult a more experienced beekeeper.
Health	The state of the brood and adult bees			If you think EFB or AFB may be present it is mandatory that you call the Appointed Bee Inspector.
	(P= all is OK, CB?=possible chalk brood, EFB? = possible EFB etc.)			