

Iron Beekeeper Hive Inspection Sheet

Hive obtained from _____
Date established _____
Yard and Hive ID _____
Date of inspection _____
Weather condition _____
Next inspection due _____

Hive temperament

- Calm
- Nervous
- Aggressive

Located queen

- Yes
- No
- Marked
 - Yes
 - No
 - Color _____
- Time to requeen
- Date queen replaced _____

Queen cells

- None
- Supersedure (edge of brood) cells _____
- Swarm (bottom of frame) cells _____

Brood pattern

- Solid and uniform
- Intermittent or random
- Spotty
- Eggs present
- Excessive drone cells

Population

- Heavy
- Moderate
- Low
- Added brood chamber
- Hive split – date _____
- Swarming imminent
- Estimated drone population
 - Low – 30
 - Average – 30-100
 - High – 100+

Hive condition

- Normal
- Foul odor
- Excessive brace comb
- Excessive burr comb
- Excessive propolis
- Equipment damage _____
- Replace equipment _____
- Other _____
- Type of foundation
 - Medium brood
 - Cut comb
 - Wired
 - Duragilt
 - Plasticell
 - EZ Frame
 - Starter strip
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Diseases or pests

- None
- American foulbrood
- European foulbrood
- Chalkbrood
- Sacbrood
- Nosema
- Varroa mites
- Tracheal mites
- Small hive beetles
- Other _____

Medications

- Apistan Added Removed
- Apiguard Added Removed
- Mite Away Added Removed
- Tylan Added Removed
- Fumagilin-B Added Removed
- Terramycin Added Removed
- Other _____

Integrated pest management

- Screened bottom board
- Powdered sugar mite drop
- Drone cell foundation
- Other _____

Early spring

- Reversed brood boxes
- Cleaned bottom board
- Fed hive
 - Syrup (1/1 ratio) _____
 - Pollen or pollen substitute _____

Late spring and summer

- Added queen excluder
- Added super
 - Deep _____
 - Medium _____
 - Shallow _____
- Other _____

Harvest

- Number supers removed _____
- Pounds of hone extracted _____
- Pounds of comb honey _____
- Removed queen excluder

Winter preparation

- Honey stores
 - High
 - Average
 - Low
 - Near brood
- Pollen stores
 - High
 - Average
 - Low
 - Near brood
- Fed hive
 - Syrup (2/1 ratio) _____
 - Pollen or pollen substitute _____
- Number of brood boxes _____
- Number of supers _____
- Added entrance reducer
- Blocked screened bottom board

Notes
