

Beekeeping Equipment Checklist

Getting started in beekeeping, well here is an easy way to make sure you have all the right supplies needed to get you going. The checklist below gives you a list of suggested equipment that is needed.

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- Protective clothing such as a bee suit, veil and gloves will help keep stings to a minimum in the bee yard if worn correctly.
- Smoker: Release a cool smoke that settles the bees.
- Hive tool: Is designed to open the hive and lift frames.
- Hive stand: Is placed at the bottom of the hive and is used to elevate the hive and improve air circulation.
- Bottom board: Is placed on top of the hive stand and is the floor of the hive.
- Two deep hive bodies: Which are used as brood and food chambers for the bees.
- Ten frames or eight frames with foundation per hive depending on if you have a 10 frame hive or an 8 frame hive: Frames are designed to hold brood and honey.
- Medium or shallow honey supers with frames and foundation: The bees will use them to store honey.
- Queen excluder: A grid that keeps the queen from entering the honey supers and laying eggs.
- Outer cover: Protects hive from the elements.
- Feeder: Use a feeder to provide bees with supplemental feed such as sugar syrup when stores are low.

QUICK TIPS

- **Prepare for next spring in the winter.** If you are planning on starting in beekeeping or adding to your apiary make a list of what you will need for spring.
- **Place Your Order** from the products you will need in the winter so you are ready come spring.
- Build or Assemble new equipment as well as paint hive bodies and supers.**
- Familiarize Yourself** with the smoker, practice lighting it a few times before you examine your hives.
- **Order Queens or Packaged Bees**

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- Mesh Helmet
- Leather Gloves
- Pro-Feeder®
- Metal Queen Excluder
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