

<p>Gentleness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Don't sting. Use of smoke unnecessary. 4. No stings when smoke is used. 3. 1 to 3 stings unprovoked. 2. 4 to 10 stings unprovoked. 1. Aggressive. Sting easily. 	<p>Swarming tendency</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. No queen cells with eggs. 4. Queen cells with eggs. Nothing has been done to prevent swarming. 3. Queen cells with eggs. One preventive work has been done. 2. Queen cells with eggs and queen larvae which have been fed. More preventive works have been done. 1. Swarming. 	<p>Still on Comb</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Very quiet. The bees walk seemingly undisturbed on the combs even if provoked. Can easily be shaken off. They don't take off even if shaken off. 4. Quiet. A little nervous movements on the comb. They don't take off, but they do fly if shaken off. 3. Nervous. The bees are running on the combs and a small number of bees jump up unprovoked. 2. Quite nervous. The bees run on the combs. Many bees jump up unprovoked. 1. Many bees in the air.
<p>Following</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. don't follow 4. 1-3 bees follow up to 5m from hive 3. multiple bees follow up to 5m from hive 2. 1-2 bees follow up to 10m from hive 1. multiple bees follow >10m from hive 	<p>Honey harvest</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. More than 50% above the average of the apiary. 4. 10 to 50% above the average of the apiary. 3. The average of the apiary + / - 10%. 2. 10 to 50% below the average. 1. Lower than 50% of the average. 	<p>Varroa Drop</p> <p>Record the number of varroa dropped, as a daily average over at least 7 days.</p> <p>Action: refer to graph for action limits</p>
<p>Hygienic behaviour <i>12hr pin test: mark a block of 50 sealed cells, and prick larvae through cappings with needle. Test all hives at same time, in active season. Inspect test area after 12hr</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Complete cleaning. 4. Nearly complete cleaning. More than 80% of the cells are cleaned. 3. Some cleaning. Between 20 and 80% of the cells are cleaned. 2. Weak cleaning Less than 20% of the cells are cleaned. 1. No cleaning. 		<p>Nosema (test in Spring with 30 bees)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. No spores. 4. Very weak infection (0 to 0.5 million spores/bee). 3. Weak infection (0.5 to 2 million spore per bee). 2. Strong infection (2 to 5 million spores per bee). 1. Very strong

