

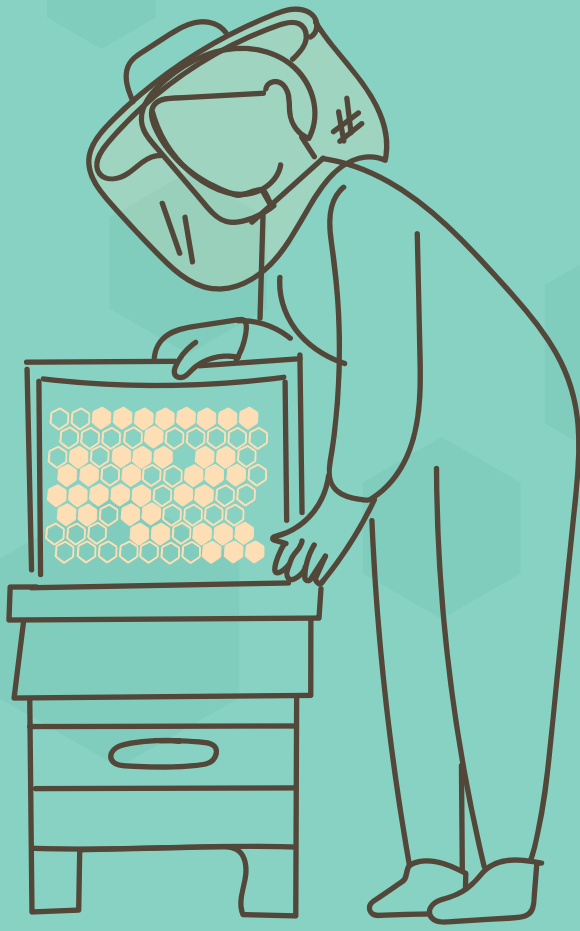
## GOOD BEEKEEPING PRACTICES | Apiary Set-up and Maintenance

### Setting Up the Apiary

## Preventing theft of hives

Beehives and bee colonies are valuable assets, especially in rural contexts, as they represent livelihood means of survival, economic income and food production. Appropriate fencing, gates and hedges, as well as technological theft protection devices, some even coupled with remote satellite tracking of the hives, help prevent thefts.

Marking of the hive bodies with company/ beekeeper codes and even distinctive colours and patterns may also help reduce the risk of theft and can assist in recognising ownership.



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Many beekeepers have their colonies, at least for some period of the year, in remote, public places, which makes the work of thieves an easy task.



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If you own the land, you can always have a fence around it.



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Electronic 'Alert' sensors are also used alone or in combination with electronic balances.



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It is also common, nowadays, to use particular types of cameras, hidden in the trees around the hives.



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You can always "mark" your frames and hives with your beekeeper's code.



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