

Beginning Beekeeping Equipment Needs

General Needs

- Smoker
- Veil
- Helmet
- Hive tool
- * *Bee jacket or suit
- *Gloves
- *Bee brush
- *Boot bands

Per Colony Needs - Equipment

- Telescoping cover
- Feeder pail
- Inner cover
- Deep hive bodies (1-3)* or Medium Hive bodies (3-5) for brood
- Frames and foundation (10 per hive body)
- Screened Bottom board and entrance reducer
- *Queen excluder
- **Medium supers (1-5) for honey production
- **Medium frames and foundation (10 per medium super)
- * suggested but optional equipment
- **- number needed depends on desired hive configuration and honey crop

Health Care Needs

- Sugar for syrup (it takes 4 lb of sugar to make 1 gallon of 1:1 syrup)
- Pollen substitute (1lb to 2 lb per colony during package buildup)