



Overview of Beekeeping

Learn	Class, Club, Books, Videos, Laws, Bee yard
Location	Laws, Sun, Dry, Level, Stand, Neighbors, Water, Mosquito Dunks, Wind-protection
Get Stuff (more on next pg)	Veil, Gloves, Suit, Hive tool, Smoker, Bottom board, Deep box w/ frames, 2 med boxes w/ frames, inner cover, top cover, queen excluder, entrance reducer. 2 or more hives? Epi-pen?
Get Bees	Nuc, swarm, package, hive
Inspect	Queenright, nutrition, pests, disease, housing
Act (one step at a time)	Feed syrup? Feed pollen? Treatments? Supers? Rotate? Reducer? Excluder? Split? Combine? Requeen? Harvest? Remove boxes? Sell? Store frames? Order? Maintain? Insurance? Records? Plant & water bee-friendly plants? Taxes, Ag?
Keep Learning	You will encounter new situations for years. Stay connected w/ MBA & good resources.
Resources MBA +	thebeesupply.com, scientificbeekeeping.com/, beeinformed.org/, honeybeehealthcoalition.org/, www.dadant.com/learn

• You can do this! We're here to help!

Sample Starter Kit

Suit with Veil		\$80 to \$240
Gloves		\$25 to \$30
Hive Tool		\$13
Bee Brush		\$15
Smoker		\$43
Bottom Board, Reducer		\$44
Inner Cover		\$18
Telescoping Cover		\$37
Deep Hive Box	◦ Shop around	\$27
10 Deep Frames w/ Foundation		\$40
Two Medium Hive Boxes (at least)		\$26
20 Medium Frames w/ Foundation		\$39
Queen Excluder		\$10
Inner Feeder		\$11
Subtotal		\$430 to \$590
Nuc		\$200
Subtotal		\$630 to \$790



◦ Maybe add 2nd hive for \$450 (\$250 + \$200)



- **Join a club, take a class**
- **Much more likely to succeed!**