

Delaware State List of Bird Species

The Delaware State List of Bird Species consist of the following 398 species of birds that have been accepted for Delaware by the Delaware Bird Records Committee (DBRC) as of September 1, 2007. We request documentation for the 77 **boldfaced** species marked with an asterisk - this is the Delaware Review List. Please note the subspecies and the reports that are presently being reviewed by the Committee in the Addendum. All of these and any other species not on the list currently require documentation. Reports should be sent to: Frank Rohrbacher, DBRC Secretary, 5 Neva Court, Wilmington, DE 19810 (e-mail: rohrbaf@aol.com) or to the DOS, Bird Records Committee, PO Box 4247, Greenville, DE 19807. Names and taxonomic sequence follow the American Ornithologists' Union *Check-list of North American Birds*.

This list represents all birds accepted for Delaware by the DBRC. Species requiring documentation by the committee are indicated in boldface and with an asterisk (*).

DUCKS, GEESE, & SWANS

***Black-bellied Whistling Duck**

Dendrocygna autumnalis

***Fulvous Whistling-duck**

Dendrocygna bicolor

***Pink-footed Goose**

Anser brachyrhynchus

Greater White-fronted Goose

Anser albifrons

Snow Goose

Chen caerulescens

Ross's Goose

Chen rossii

Brant

Branta bernicla

Cackling Goose

Branta hutchinsii

Canada Goose

Branta canadensis

Mute Swan

Cygnus olor

Tundra Swan

Cygnus columbianus

Wood Duck

Aix sponsa

Gadwall

Anas strepera

Eurasian Wigeon

Anas penelope

American Wigeon

Anas americana

American Black Duck

Anas rubripes

Mallard

Anas platyrhynchos

Blue-winged Teal

Anas discors

***Cinnamon Teal**

Anas cyanoptera

Northern Shoveler

Anas clypeata

Northern Pintail

Anas acuta

***Garganey**

Anas querquedula

Green-winged Teal

Anas crecca

Canvasback

Aythya valisineria

Redhead

Aythya americana

Ring-necked Duck

Aythya collaris

***Tufted Duck**

Aythya fuligula

Greater Scaup

Aythya marila

Lesser Scaup

Aythya affinis

King Eider

Somateria spectabilis

Common Eider

Somateria mollissima

Harlequin Duck

Histrionicus histrionicus

Surf Scoter

Melanitta perspicillata

White-winged Scoter

Melanitta fusca

Black Scoter

Melanitta nigra

Long-tailed Duck

Clangula hyemalis

Bufflehead

Bucephala albeola

Common Goldeneye

Bucephala clangula

Hooded Merganser

Lophodytes cucullatus

Common Merganser

Mergus merganser

Red-breasted Merganser

Mergus serrator

Ruddy Duck

Oxyura jamaicensis

GROUSE, PHEASANTS, & TURKEYS

Ring-necked Pheasant

Phasianus colchicus

Wild Turkey

Meleagris gallopavo

NEW WORLD QUAIL

Northern Bobwhite

Colinus virginianus

LOONS

Red-throated Loon

Gavia stellata

Common Loon

Gavia immer

GREBES

Pied-billed Grebe

Podilymbus podiceps

Horned Grebe

Podiceps auritus

Red-necked Grebe

Podiceps grisegena

***Eared Grebe**

Podiceps nigricollis

***Western Grebe**

Aechmophorus occidentalis

SHEARWATERS

Northern Fulmar

Fulmarus glacialis

Cory's Shearwater

Calonectris diomedea

Greater Shearwater

Puffinus gravis

Sooty Shearwater

Puffinus griseus

Manx Shearwater

Puffinus puffinus

Audubon's Shearwater

Puffinus lherminieri

STORM-PETRELS

Wilson's Storm-Petrel

Oceanites oceanicus

***White-faced Storm-Petrel**

Pelagodroma marina

Leach's Storm-Petrel

Oceanodroma leucorhoa

***Band-rumped Storm-Petrel**

Oceanodroma castro

GANNETS & BOOBIES

Northern Gannet

Morus bassanus

PELICANS

American White Pelican

Pelecanus erythrorhynchos

Brown Pelican

Pelecanus occidentalis

CORMORANTS

Double-crested Cormorant

Phalacrocorax auritus

Great Cormorant

Phalacrocorax carbo

FRIGATEBIRDS

***Magnificent Frigatebird**

Fregata magnificens

HERONS & EGRETS

American Bittern

Botaurus lentiginosus

Least Bittern

Ixobrychus exilis

Great Blue Heron

Ardea herodias

Great Egret

Ardea alba

***Little Egret**

Egretta garzetta

Snowy Egret

Egretta thula

Little Blue Heron

Egretta caerulea

Tricolored Heron

Egretta tricolor

***Reddish Egret**

Egretta rufescens

Cattle Egret

Bubulcus ibis

Green Heron

Butorides virescens

Black-crowned Night-Heron

Nycticorax nycticorax

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

Nyctanassa violacea

IBISES

White Ibis

Eudocimus albus

Glossy Ibis

Plegadis falcinellus

White-faced Ibis

Plegadis chihi

STORKS

***Wood Stork**

Mycteria americana

NEW WORLD VULTURES

Black Vulture

Coragyps atratus

Turkey Vulture

Cathartes aura

HAWKS, KITES, & EAGLES

Osprey

Pandion haliaetus

***Swallow-tailed Kite**

Elanoides forficatus

***Mississippi Kite**

Ictinia mississippiensis

Bald Eagle

Haliaeetus leucocephalus

Northern Harrier

Circus cyaneus

Sharp-shinned Hawk

Accipiter striatus

Cooper's Hawk

Accipiter cooperii

Northern Goshawk

Accipiter gentilis

Red-shouldered Hawk

Buteo lineatus

Broad-winged Hawk

Buteo platypterus

Red-tailed Hawk

Buteo jamaicensis

Rough-legged Hawk

Buteo lagopus

Golden Eagle

Aquila chrysaetos

FALCONS

American Kestrel

Falco sparverius

Merlin

Falco columbarius

***Gyrfalcon**

Falco rusticolus

Peregrine Falcon

Falco peregrinus

RAILS, GALLINULES, & COOTS

***Yellow Rail**

Coturnicops noveboracensis

Black Rail

Laterallus jamaicensis

Clapper Rail

Rallus longirostris

King Rail

Rallus elegans

Virginia Rail

Rallus limicola

Sora

Porzana carolina

***Purple Gallinule**

Porphyryla martinica

Common Moorhen

Gallinula chloropus

American Coot

Fulica americana

CRANES

***Sandhill Crane**

Grus canadensis

LAPWINGS & PLOVERS

***Northern Lapwing**

Vanellus vanellus

Black-bellied Plover

Pluvialis squatarola

American Golden-Plover

Pluvialis dominica

***Pacific Golden-Plover**

Pluvialis fulva

Semipalmated Plover

Charadrius semipalmatus

Piping Plover

Charadrius melodus

Killdeer

Charadrius vociferus

OYSTERCATCHERS

American Oystercatcher

Haematopus palliatus

STILTS & AVOCETS

Black-necked Stilt

Himantopus mexicanus

American Avocet

Recurvirostra americana

SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES, & ALLIES

Spotted Sandpiper

Actitis macularia

Solitary Sandpiper
Greater Yellowlegs
Willet
Lesser Yellowlegs
Upland Sandpiper
Whimbrel
***Black-tailed Godwit**
Hudsonian Godwit
Marbled Godwit
Ruddy Turnstone
Red Knot
Sanderling
Semipalmated Sandpiper
Western Sandpiper
***Red-necked Stint**
***Little Stint**
Least Sandpiper
White-rumped Sandpiper
Baird's Sandpiper
Pectoral Sandpiper
***Sharp-tailed Sandpiper**
Purple Sandpiper
Dunlin
Curlew Sandpiper
Stilt Sandpiper
Buff-breasted Sandpiper
Ruff
Short-billed Dowitcher
Long-billed Dowitcher
Wilson's Snipe
American Woodcock
Wilson's Phalarope
Red-necked Phalarope
Red Phalarope

Tringa solitaria
Tringa melanoleuca
Catoptrophorus semipalmatus
Tringa flavipes
Bartramia longicauda
Numenius phaeopus
Limosa limosa
Limosa haemastica
Limosa fedoa
Arenaria interpres
Calidris canutus
Calidris alba
Calidris pusilla
Calidris mauri
Calidris ruficollis
Calidris minuta
Calidris minutilla
Calidris fuscicollis
Calidris bairdii
Calidris melanotos
Calidris acuminata
Calidris maritima
Calidris alpina
Calidris ferruginea
Calidris himantopus
Tryngites subruficollis
Philomachus pugnax
Limnodromus griseus
Limnodromus scolopaceus
Gallinago gallinago
Scolopax minor
Phalaropus tricolor
Phalaropus lobatus
Phalaropus fulicaria

SKUAS, GULLS, TERNS, & SKIMMERS

Laughing Gull
***Franklin's Gull**
Little Gull
Black-headed Gull
Bonaparte's Gull
***Mew Gull**
Ring-billed Gull
***California Gull**
Herring Gull
***Thayer's Gull**
Iceland Gull
Lesser Black-backed Gull
Glaucous Gull
Great Black-backed Gull
***Sabine's Gull**
Black-legged Kittiwake
***Ross's Gull**
***Sooty Tern**
Bridled Tern
Least Tern
Gull-billed Tern
Caspian Tern
Black Tern
***White-winged Tern**
***Whiskered Tern**
***Roseate Tern**

Larus atricilla
Larus pipixcan
Larus minutus
Larus ridibundus
Larus philadelphia
Larus canus
Larus delawarensis
Larus californicus
Larus argentatus
Larus thayeri
Larus glaucoides
Larus fuscus
Larus hyperboreus
Larus marinus
Xema sabini
Rissa tridactyla
Rhodostethia rosea
Sterna fuscata
Sterna anaethetus
Sterna antillarum
Sterna nilotica
Sterna caspia
Chlidonias niger
Chlidonias leucopterus
Chlidonias hybridus
Sterna dougallii

Common Tern
***Arctic Tern**
Forster's Tern
Royal Tern
Sandwich Tern
Black Skimmer
***Great Skua**
***South Polar Skua**
Pomarine Jaeger
Parasitic Jaeger
***Long-tailed Jaeger**

Sterna hirundo
Sterna paradisaea
Sterna forsteri
Sterna maxima
Sterna sandvicensis
Rynchops niger
Catharacta skua
Catharacta maccormicki
Stercorarius pomarinus
Stercorarius parasiticus
Catharacta longicaudus

AUKS, MURRES, & PUFFINS

Dovekie
***Common Murre**
***Thick-billed Murre**
Razorbill
***Black Guillemot**
Atlantic Puffin

Alle alle
Uria aalge
Uria lomvia
Alca torda
Cepphus grylle
Fratercula arctica

PIGEONS & DOVES

Rock Pigeon
***Eurasian Collared-dove**
***White-winged Dove**
Mourning Dove
***Common Ground-Dove**

Columba livia
Streptopelia decaocto
Zenaida asiatica
Zenaida macroura
Columbina passerina

CUCKOOS

Black-billed Cuckoo
Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Coccyzus erythrophthalmus
Coccyzus americanus

BARN OWLS

Barn Owl

Tyto alba

TYPICAL OWLS

Eastern Screech-Owl
Great Horned Owl
Snowy Owl
Barred Owl
Long-eared Owl
Short-eared Owl
Northern Saw-whet Owl

Otus asio
Bubo virginianus
Nyctea scandiaca
Strix varia
Asio otus
Asio flammeus
Aegolius acadicus

GOATSUCKERS

Common Nighthawk
Chuck-will's-widow
Whip-poor-will

Chordeiles minor
Caprimulgus carolinensis
Caprimulgus vociferus

SWIFTS

Chimney Swift

Chaetura pelagica

HUMMINGBIRDS

Ruby-throated Hummingbird
***Broad-tailed Hummingbird**
Rufous Hummingbird
***Allen's Hummingbird**

Archilochus colubris
Selasphorus platycercus
Selasphorus rufus
Selasphorus sasin

KINGFISHERS

Belted Kingfisher

Ceryle alcyon

WOODPECKERS

Red-headed Woodpecker

Melanerpes erythrocephalus

Red-bellied Woodpecker
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
Downy Woodpecker
Hairy Woodpecker
Northern Flicker
Pileated Woodpecker

Melanerpes carolinus
Sphyrapicus varius
Picoides pubescens
Picoides villosus
Colaptes auratus
Dryocopus pileatus

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

Olive-sided Flycatcher
Eastern Wood-Pewee
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
Acadian Flycatcher
Alder Flycatcher
Willow Flycatcher
Least Flycatcher
***Hammond's Flycatcher**
***Gray Flycatcher**
***Dusky Flycatcher**
Eastern Phoebe
***Say's Phoebe**
***Vermilion Flycatcher**
Great Crested Flycatcher
***Western Kingbird**
Eastern Kingbird
***Scissor-tailed Flycatcher**
***Fork-tailed Flycatcher**

Contopus cooperi
Contopus virens
Empidonax flaviventris
Empidonax virescens
Empidonax alnorum
Empidonax traillii
Empidonax minimus
Empidonax hammondii
Empidonax wrightii
Empidonax oberholseri
Sayornis phoebe
Sayornis saya
Pyrocephalus rubinus
Myiarchus crinitus
Tyrannus verticalis
Tyrannus tyrannus
Tyrannus forficatus
Tyrannus savana

SHRIKES

***Loggerhead Shrike**
***Northern Shrike**

Lanius ludovicianus
Lanius excubitor

VIREOS

White-eyed Vireo
Yellow-throated Vireo
Blue-headed Vireo
Warbling Vireo
Philadelphia Vireo
Red-eyed Vireo

Vireo griseus
Vireo flavifrons
Vireo solitarius
Vireo gilvus
Vireo philadelphicus
Vireo olivaceus

CROWS & JAYS

Blue Jay
American Crow
Fish Crow

Cyanocitta cristata
Corvus brachyrhynchos
Corvus ossifragus

LARKS

Horned Lark

Eremophila alpestris

SWALLOWS

Purple Martin
Tree Swallow
Northern Rough-winged Swallow
Bank Swallow
Cliff Swallow
***Cave Swallow**
Barn Swallow

Progne subis
Tachycineta bicolor
Stelgidopteryx serripennis
Riparia riparia
Petrochelidon pyrrhonota
Petrochelidon fulva
Hirundo rustica

CHICKADEES

Carolina Chickadee
Black-capped Chickadee
***Boreal Chickadee**
Tufted Titmouse

Poecile carolinensis
Poecile atricapillus
Poecile hudsonicus
Baeolophus bicolor

NUTHATCHES

Red-breasted Nuthatch
White-breasted Nuthatch
Brown-headed Nuthatch

Sitta canadensis
Sitta carolinensis
Sitta pusilla

CREEPERS

Brown Creeper

Certhia americana

WRENS

Carolina Wren
***Bewick's Wren**
House Wren
Winter Wren
Sedge Wren
Marsh Wren

Thryothorus ludovicianus
Thryomanes bewickii
Troglodytes aedon
Troglodytes troglodytes
Cistothorus platensis
Cistothorus palustris

KINGLETS

Golden-crowned Kinglet
Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Regulus satrapa
Regulus calendula

GNATCATCHERS

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Polioptila caerulea

THRUSHES

***Northern Wheatear**
Eastern Bluebird
Veery
Gray-cheeked Thrush
Bicknell's Thrush
Swainson's Thrush
Hermit Thrush
Wood Thrush
***Fieldfare**
American Robin
***Varied Thrush**

Oenanthe oenanthe
Sialia sialis
Catharus fuscescens
Catharus minimus
Catharus bicknelli
Catharus ustulatus
Catharus guttatus
Hylocichla mustelina
Turdus pilaris
Turdus migratorius
Ixoreus naevius

MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS

Gray Catbird
Northern Mockingbird
***Sage Thrasher**
Brown Thrasher

Dumetella carolinensis
Mimus polyglottos
Oreoscoptes montanus
Toxostoma rufum

STARLINGS

European Starling

Sturnus vulgaris

PIPITS

American Pipit

Anthus rubescens

WAXWINGS

Cedar Waxwing

Bombycilla cedrorum

WOOD-WARBLERS

Blue-winged Warbler
Golden-winged Warbler
Tennessee Warbler
Orange-crowned Warbler
Nashville Warbler
Northern Parula
Yellow Warbler
Chestnut-sided Warbler
Magnolia Warbler
Cape May Warbler

Vermivora pinus
Vermivora chrysoptera
Vermivora peregrina
Vermivora celata
Vermivora ruficapilla
Parula americana
Dendroica petechia
Dendroica pensylvanica
Dendroica magnolia
Dendroica tigrina

Black-throated Blue Warbler
***Black-throated Gray Warbler**
Yellow-rumped Warbler
Black-throated Green Warbler
Blackburnian Warbler
Yellow-throated Warbler
Pine Warbler
Prairie Warbler
Palm Warbler
Bay-breasted Warbler
Blackpoll Warbler
Cerulean Warbler
Black-and-white Warbler
American Redstart
Prothonotary Warbler
Worm-eating Warbler
***Swainson's Warbler**
Ovenbird
Northern Waterthrush
Louisiana Waterthrush
Kentucky Warbler
Connecticut Warbler
Mourning Warbler
Common Yellowthroat
Hooded Warbler
Wilson's Warbler
Canada Warbler
Yellow-breasted Chat

TANAGERS

Summer Tanager
Scarlet Tanager

EMBERIZID SPARROWS

***Green-tailed Towhee**
Eastern Towhee
American Tree Sparrow
Chipping Sparrow
***Clay-colored Sparrow**
Field Sparrow
Vesper Sparrow
***Lark Sparrow**
Savannah Sparrow
Grasshopper Sparrow
***Henslow's Sparrow**
***Le Conte's Sparrow**
Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow
Saltmarsh Sharp-tailed Sparrow
Seaside Sparrow
Fox Sparrow
Song Sparrow
Lincoln's Sparrow
Swamp Sparrow
White-throated Sparrow
***Harris's Sparrow**
White-crowned Sparrow
Dark-eyed Junco
Lapland Longspur
Snow Bunting

CARDINALS & ALLIES

Northern Cardinal

Dendroica caerulescens
Dendroica nigrescens
Dendroica coronata
Dendroica virens
Dendroica fusca
Dendroica dominica
Dendroica pinus
Dendroica discolor
Dendroica palmarum
Dendroica castanea
Dendroica striata
Dendroica cerulea
Mniotilta varia
Setophaga ruticilla
Protonotaria citrea
Helmitheros vermivorus
Limnothlypis swainsonii
Seiurus aurocapillus
Seiurus noveboracensis
Seiurus motacilla
Oporornis formosus
Oporornis agilis
Oporornis philadelphia
Geothlypis trichas
Wilsonia citrina
Wilsonia pusilla
Wilsonia canadensis
Icteria virens

Piranga rubra
Piranga olivacea

Pipilo chlorurus
Pipilo erythrophthalmus
Spizella arborea
Spizella passerina
Spizella pallida
Spizella pusilla
Poocetes gramineus
Chondestes grammacus
Passerculus sandwichensis
Ammodramus savannarum
Ammodramus henslowii
Ammodramus leconteii
Ammodramus nelsoni
Ammodramus caudacutus
Ammodramus maritimus
Passerella iliaca
Melospiza melodia
Melospiza lincolnii
Melospiza georgiana
Zonotrichia albicollis
Zonotrichia querula
Zonotrichia leucophrys
Junco hyemalis
Calcarius lapponicus
Plectrophenax nivalis

Cardinalis cardinalis

Rose-breasted Grosbeak
***Black-headed Grosbeak**
Blue Grosbeak
Indigo Bunting
***Painted Bunting**
Dickcissel

Pheucticus ludovicianus
Pheucticus melanocephalus
Guiraca caerulea
Passerina cyanea
Passerina ciris
Spiza americana

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES, & ALLIES

Bobolink
Red-winged Blackbird
Eastern Meadowlark
Yellow-headed Blackbird
Rusty Blackbird
***Brewer's Blackbird**
Common Grackle
Boat-tailed Grackle
Brown-headed Cowbird
Orchard Oriole
Baltimore Oriole

Dolichonyx oryzivorus
Agelaius phoeniceus
Sturnella magna
Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus
Euphagus carolinus
Euphagus cyanocephalus
Quiscalus quiscula
Quiscalus major
Molothrus ater
Icterus spurius
Icterus galbula

CARDUELINE FINCHES

***Pine Grosbeak**
Purple Finch
House Finch
Red Crossbill
White-winged Crossbill
Common Redpoll
Pine Siskin
American Goldfinch
Evening Grosbeak

Pinicola enucleator
Carpodacus purpureus
Carpodacus mexicanus
Loxia curvirostra
Loxia leucoptera
Carduelis flammea
Carduelis pinus
Carduelis tristis
Coccothraustes vespertinus

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

House Sparrow

Passer domesticus