



# SOUTH DAKOTA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist for the East Region

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Statewide status codes indicated after each species name - R = regular (7-10 of the last 10 years); C = casual (3-6 of the last 10 years); A = accidental (3 or fewer times of the last 10 years); and H = hypothetical (probable but not proven to have been seen in the state). A species preceded by an asterisk (\*) is considered regular for the selected checklist.

## Ducks, Geese, and Swans

### (Anatidae)

\_\_\_ Black-bellied Whistling Duck (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Snow Goose (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ross's Goose (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Greater White-fronted Goose (R)  
\_\_\_ Brant (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Cackling Goose (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Canada Goose (R)  
\_\_\_ Mute Swan (A)  
\_\_\_ Trumpeter Swan (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Tundra Swan (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Wood Duck (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Blue-winged Teal (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Cinnamon Teal (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Northern Shoveler (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Gadwall (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Wigeon (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Mallard (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Black Duck (R)  
\_\_\_ Mottled Duck (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Northern Pintail (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Green-winged Teal (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Canvasback (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Redhead (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ring-necked Duck (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Greater Scaup (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Lesser Scaup (R)  
\_\_\_ Harlequin Duck (A)  
\_\_\_ Surf Scoter (R)  
\_\_\_ White-winged Scoter (R)  
\_\_\_ Black Scoter (R)  
\_\_\_ Long-tailed Duck (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Bufflehead (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Common Goldeneye (R)  
\_\_\_ Barrow's Goldeneye (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Hooded Merganser (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Common Merganser (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-breasted Merganser (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Greater Prairie-Chicken (R)

## New World Quail

### (Odontophoridae)

\_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite (R)

## Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail

### (Phasianidae)

\_\_\_ \* Wild Turkey (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Sharp-tailed Grouse (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Greater Prairie-Chicken (R)

\_\_\_ \* Gray Partridge (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ring-necked Pheasant (R)

## Grebes (Podicipedidae)

\_\_\_ \* Pied-billed Grebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Horned Grebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-necked Grebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eared Grebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Western Grebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Clark's Grebe (R)

## Pigeons and Doves

### (Columbidae)

\_\_\_ \* Rock Pigeon (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eurasian Collared-Dove (R)  
\_\_\_ White-winged Dove (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Mourning Dove (R)

## Cuckoos, Roadrunners, and

### Anis (Cuculidae)

\_\_\_ \* Yellow-billed Cuckoo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Black-billed Cuckoo (R)

## Goatsuckers (Caprimulgidae)

\_\_\_ \* Common Nighthawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eastern Whip-poor-will (R)

## Swifts (Apodidae)

\_\_\_ \* Chimney Swift (R)

## Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)

\_\_\_ \* Ruby-throated Hummingbird (R)  
\_\_\_ Anna's Hummingbird (C)  
\_\_\_ Rufous Hummingbird (R)

## Rails, Gallinules, and Coots

### (Rallidae)

\_\_\_ \* Virginia Rail (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Sora (R)  
\_\_\_ Common Gallinule (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Coot (R)

## Cranes (Gruidae)

\_\_\_ Sandhill Crane (R)  
\_\_\_ Whooping Crane (R)

## Stills and Avocets

### (Recurvirostridae)

\_\_\_ \* Black-necked Stilt (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Avocet (R)

## Lapwings and Plovers

### (Charadriidae)

\_\_\_ \* Black-bellied Plover (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Golden-Plover (R)  
\_\_\_ Snowy Plover (C)  
\_\_\_ \* Semipalmated Plover (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Piping Plover (R)

\_\_\_ \* Killdeer (R)  
\_\_\_ Mountain Plover (A)

## Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and

### Allies (Scolopacidae)

\_\_\_ \* Upland Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ Whimbrel (R)  
\_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Hudsonian Godwit (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Marbled Godwit (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ruddy Turnstone (R)  
\_\_\_ Red Knot (R)  
\_\_\_ Ruff (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Stilt Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ Curlew Sandpiper (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Sanderling (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Dunlin (R)

\_\_\_ \* Baird's Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Least Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* White-rumped Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Buff-breasted Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Pectoral Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Semipalmated Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ Western Sandpiper (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Short-billed Dowitcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Long-billed Dowitcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Woodcock (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Wilson's Snipe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Wilson's Phalarope (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-necked Phalarope (R)  
\_\_\_ Red Phalarope (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Spotted Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Solitary Sandpiper (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Greater Yellowlegs (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Willet (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Lesser Yellowlegs (R)

\_\_\_ \* American Bittern (R)  
\_\_\_ Least Bittern (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Great Blue Heron (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Great Egret (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Snowy Egret (R)  
\_\_\_ Little Blue Heron (R)  
\_\_\_ Tricolored Heron (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Western Cattle Egret (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Green Heron (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Black-crowned Night-Heron (R)  
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## Ibises and Spoonbills

### (Threskiornithidae)

\_\_\_ \* Glossy Ibis (R)  
\_\_\_ \* White-faced Ibis (R)

## New World Vultures

### (Cathartidae)

\_\_\_ \* Turkey Vulture (R)

## Ospreys (Pandionidae)

\_\_\_ \* Osprey (R)

## Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and

### Allies (Accipitridae)

\_\_\_ \* Golden Eagle (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ring-billed Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ \* California Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Herring Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ Iceland Gull (R)

\_\_\_ \* Lesser Black-backed Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ Glaucous-winged Gull (A)  
\_\_\_ Glaucous Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ Great Black-backed Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ Least Tern (R)  
\_\_\_ Gull-billed Tern (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Caspian Tern (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Black Tern (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Common Tern (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Forster's Tern (R)

## Loons (Gaviidae)

\_\_\_ Red-throated Loon (C)  
\_\_\_ Pacific Loon (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Common Loon (R)

## Cormorants

### (Phalacrocoracidae)

\_\_\_ Neotropic Cormorant (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Double-crested Cormorant (R)

## Pelicans (Pelecanidae)

\_\_\_ \* American White Pelican (R)

## Bitterns, Herons, and Allies

### (Ardeidae)

\_\_\_ \* American Bittern (R)  
\_\_\_ Least Bittern (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Great Blue Heron (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Great Egret (R)  
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\_\_\_ \* American Herring Gull (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Sharp-shinned Hawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Cooper's Hawk (R)

\_\_\_ \* American Goshawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Bald Eagle (R)  
\_\_\_ Red-shouldered Hawk (C)  
\_\_\_ \* Broad-winged Hawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Swainson's Hawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-tailed Hawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Rough-legged Hawk (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ferruginous Hawk (R)

## Barn Owls (Tytonidae)

\_\_\_ American Barn Owl (R)

## Typical Owls (Strigidae)

\_\_\_ \* Eastern Screech-Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Great Horned Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Snowy Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Burrowing Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Barred Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Long-eared Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Short-eared Owl (R)  
\_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl (R)

## Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

\_\_\_ \* Belted Kingfisher (R)

## Woodpeckers and Allies

### (Picidae)

\_\_\_ \* Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-headed Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-bellied Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ Black-backed Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Downy Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Hairy Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Pileated Woodpecker (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Northern Flicker (R)

## Caracaras and Falcons

### (Falconidae)

\_\_\_ \* American Kestrel (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Merlin (R)  
\_\_\_ Gyrfalcon (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Peregrine Falcon (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Prairie Falcon (R)

## Tyrant Flycatchers

### (Tyrannidae)

\_\_\_ \* Olive-sided Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ Western Wood-Pewee (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eastern Wood-Pewee (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Alder Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Willow Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Least Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eastern Phoebe (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Say's Phoebe (R)

\_\_\_ \* Great Crested Flycatcher (R)  
\_\_\_ Great Kiskadee (A)  
\_\_\_ \* Western Kingbird (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Eastern Kingbird (R)

## Vireos (Vireonidae)

\_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo (C)  
\_\_\_ \* Bell's Vireo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Yellow-throated Vireo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Blue-headed Vireo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Philadelphia Vireo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Warbling Vireo (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Red-eyed Vireo (R)

## Shrikes (Laniidae)

\_\_\_ \* Loggerhead Shrike (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Northern Shrike (R)

## Jays and Crows (Corvidae)

\_\_\_ \* Blue Jay (R)  
\_\_\_ Black-billed Magpie (R)  
\_\_\_ \* American Crow (R)  
\_\_\_ Common Raven (R)

## Chickadees and Titmice

### (Paridae)

\_\_\_ \* Black-capped Chickadee (R)  
\_\_\_ Tufted Titmouse (A)

## Larks (Alaudidae)

\_\_\_ \* Horned Lark (R)

## Swallows (Hirundinidae)

\_\_\_ \* Northern Rough-winged Swallow (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Purple Martin (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Tree Swallow (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Bank Swallow (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Barn Swallow (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Cliff Swallow (R)

## Kinglets (Regulidae)

\_\_\_ \* Golden-crowned Kinglet (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Ruby-crowned Kinglet (R)

## Waxwings (Bombycillidae)

\_\_\_ \* Bohemian Waxwing (R)  
\_\_\_ \* Cedar Waxwing (R)

## Nuthatches (Sittidae)

\_\_\_ \* Red-breasted Nuthatch (R)  
\_\_\_ \* White-breasted Nuthatch (R)

## Creepers (Certhiidae)

\_\_\_ \* Brown Creeper (R)

## Gnatcatchers (Poliopitidae)

\_\_\_ \* Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (R)

## Wrens (Troglodytidae)

\_\_\_ Rock Wren (R)

\_\_\_\* Northern House Wren (R)  
\_\_\_\* Winter Wren (R)  
\_\_\_\* Sedge Wren (R)  
\_\_\_\* Marsh Wren (R)  
\_\_\_ Carolina Wren (R)

**Mockingbirds and Thrashers  
(Mimidae)**

\_\_\_\* Gray Catbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Brown Thrasher (R)  
\_\_\_ Sage Thrasher (R)  
\_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird (R)

**Starlings (Sturnidae)**

\_\_\_\* European Starling (R)

**Thrushes (Turdidae)**

\_\_\_\* Eastern Bluebird (R)  
\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Townsend's Solitaire (R)  
\_\_\_ Varied Thrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* Veery (R)  
\_\_\_\* Gray-cheeked Thrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* Swainson's Thrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* Hermit Thrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* Wood Thrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* American Robin (R)

**Old World Sparrows**

**(Passeridae)**

\_\_\_\* House Sparrow (R)

**Wagtails and Pipits**

**(Motacillidae)**

\_\_\_\* American Pipit (R)  
\_\_\_ Sprague's Pipit (R)

**Fringilline and Cardueline**

**Finches and Allies**

**(Fringillidae)**

\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak (R)  
\_\_\_ Pine Grosbeak (R)  
\_\_\_\* House Finch (R)  
\_\_\_\* Purple Finch (R)  
\_\_\_\* Common Redpoll (R)  
\_\_\_\* Red Crossbill (R)  
\_\_\_ White-winged Crossbill (R)  
\_\_\_\* Pine Siskin (R)  
\_\_\_\* American Goldfinch (R)

**Longspurs and Snow**

**Buntings (Calcaridae)**

\_\_\_\* Lapland Longspur (R)  
\_\_\_\* Chestnut-collared Longspur (R)  
\_\_\_ Smith's Longspur (C)  
\_\_\_\* Snow Bunting (R)

**New World Sparrows and**

**Towhees (Passerellidae)**

\_\_\_\* Grasshopper Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Chipping Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Clay-colored Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Field Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Lark Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Lark Bunting (R)  
\_\_\_\* American Tree Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Fox Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Dark-eyed Junco (R)  
\_\_\_\* White-crowned Sparrow (R)

\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Sparrow (A)  
\_\_\_\* Harris's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* White-throated Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Vesper Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Le Conte's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_ Nelson's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Savannah Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_ Baird's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_ Henslow's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Song Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Lincoln's Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Swamp Sparrow (R)  
\_\_\_\* Spotted Towhee (R)  
\_\_\_\* Eastern Towhee (R)

**Yellow-breasted Chat  
(Icteriidae)**

\_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat (R)

**Blackbirds (Icteridae)**

\_\_\_\* Yellow-headed Blackbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Bobolink (R)  
\_\_\_\* Western Meadowlark (R)  
\_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark (R)  
\_\_\_\* Orchard Oriole (R)  
\_\_\_\* Baltimore Oriole (R)  
\_\_\_\* Red-winged Blackbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Brown-headed Cowbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Rusty Blackbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Brewer's Blackbird (R)  
\_\_\_\* Common Grackle (R)  
\_\_\_\* Great-tailed Grackle (R)

**Wood-Warblers (Parulidae)**

\_\_\_\* Ovenbird (R)  
\_\_\_ Worm-eating Warbler (C)  
\_\_\_\* Northern Waterthrush (R)  
\_\_\_\* Golden-winged Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Blue-winged Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Black-and-white Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Tennessee Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Orange-crowned Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Nashville Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Connecticut Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Mourning Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Kentucky Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Common Yellowthroat (R)  
\_\_\_ Hooded Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* American Redstart (R)  
\_\_\_\* Cape May Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Cerulean Warbler (A)  
\_\_\_\* Northern Parula (R)  
\_\_\_\* Magnolia Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Bay-breasted Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Blackburnian Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Yellow Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Chestnut-sided Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Blackpoll Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Black-throated Blue Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Palm Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Pine Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Yellow-rumped Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Prairie Warbler (A)  
\_\_\_ Townsend's Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_ Hermit Warbler (A)  
\_\_\_\* Black-throated Green Warbler

(R)  
\_\_\_\* Canada Warbler (R)  
\_\_\_\* Wilson's Warbler (R)

**Cardinals, Piranga Tanagers  
and Allies (Cardinalidae)**

\_\_\_ Summer Tanager (R)  
\_\_\_\* Scarlet Tanager (R)  
\_\_\_ Western Tanager (R)  
\_\_\_\* Northern Cardinal (R)  
\_\_\_\* Rose-breasted Grosbeak (R)  
\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak (R)  
\_\_\_\* Blue Grosbeak (R)  
\_\_\_\* Lazuli Bunting (R)  
\_\_\_\* Indigo Bunting (R)  
\_\_\_ Painted Bunting (A)  
\_\_\_\* Dickcissel (R)

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