

CHECKLIST  
AND  
BREEDING  
CRITERIA



## CHECKLIST OF BIRDS OF THE LONDON AREA AND GUIDE TO CONTRIBUTORS OF RECORDS

The total number of species recorded in an apparently wild state in the London Area in historic times is 374, with the addition this year of Pallid Harrier. Of these, the 12 species marked with an \* in the checklist were recorded at least once prior to 1900 but have not been recorded in an apparently wild state since. The Checklist follows the order of the British Ornithologists' Union (BOU) List, 9th edition, February 2019 and its nomenclature (apart from Feral Pigeon).

All records of ornithological interest, from LNHS members and non-members alike, are welcomed by the London Bird Club. However, with an ever-growing number of active birdwatchers in the London Area, it seems sensible to issue a guide to our requirements.

This guide is not intended to be comprehensive, and contributors are asked to use their own guidance and common sense, but it does serve as a reference point for the type of records required. For example, with many common breeding species, comparative yearly breeding counts are especially welcomed. The Rarities Committee needs details of any rarities (denoted by R), and also reserves the right to request full details for any record, eg, out-of-season migrants. This guide does not apply to Inner London, where all records are required, but similar criteria regarding descriptions should be followed.

Please note: 'Lower Thames' is defined as the section of the R Thames from the Thames Barrier to the eastern edge of our recording area.

<b>Key to records required:</b>	N	= brief notes required (how identified, view, distance, etc); form available on LNHS website (see Details of an Unusual Bird on page 3).
A	=	all records.
B	=	all breeding records.
BBRC	=	full description required; form from www.bbrc.org.uk. <i>British Birds</i> Rarities Committee makes the decision.
D	=	full description required; form available on LNHS website (see Details of an Unusual Bird on page 3).
F&L	=	first and last dates for any site.
MM	=	dated monthly maximum counts.
	NR	= all records from sites where bird not seen regularly.
	P	= passage movements.
	S	= all records mid-May to mid-July.
	ST	= annual statement of status at a site.
	T	= all territory counts.
	W	= records outside breeding season.

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Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>	A
Red-breasted Goose*	<i>Branta ruficollis</i>	R BBRC
Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	MM, B, ST
Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>	A
Snow Goose	<i>Anser caerulescens</i>	R A, D (unless obvious escape)
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Pink-footed Goose	<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>	R A, D
Tundra Bean Goose	<i>Anser serrirostris</i>	R A, D
White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>	A
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Bewick's Swan	<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>	R A, N
Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	R A, N
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	A
Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	MM, NR, B, S
Mandarin Duck	<i>Aix galericulata</i>	A
Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>	A
Blue-winged Teal	<i>Spatula discors</i>	R BBRC
Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	MM, NR, B, S
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>	MM, NR, B, S
Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>	A
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	MM, B, ST
Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	A
Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	MM, NR, B, S
Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas carolinensis</i>	R A, D
Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>	A
Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>	R BBRC
Ring-necked Duck	<i>Aythya collaris</i>	R A, D
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>	A
Lesser Scaup	<i>Aythya affinis</i>	R A, D
King Eider	<i>Somateria spectabilis</i>	R BBRC
Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	R A, N
Velvet Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>	R A, D
Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>	A
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	R A, N
Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	A
Smew	<i>Mergellus albellus</i>	A
Goosander	<i>Mergus merganser</i>	A
Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	A
Ruddy Duck	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>	A, B, ST
Black Grouse*	<i>Lyrurus tetrix</i>	R A, D
Red-legged Partridge	<i>Alectoris rufa</i>	A
Grey Partridge	<i>Perdix perdix</i>	A
Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>	A

Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	R A, N
Black-throated Diver	<i>Gavia arctica</i>	R A, N
Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>	A
Storm Petrel	<i>Hydrobates pelagicus</i>	R A, D
Leach's Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i>	R A, D
Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	R A, D
Cory's Shearwater	<i>Calonectris borealis</i>	R A, D
Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	R A, D
Balearic Shearwater	<i>Puffinus mauretanicus</i>	R A, D
Barolo Shearwater	<i>Puffinus baroli</i>	R BBRC
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Pied-billed Grebe	<i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>	R BBRC
Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	A
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Slavonian Grebe	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>	A
Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	A
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	R BBRC
White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	R A, D
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	R A, D
Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	A, D away from Lower Thames
Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	A
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	R BBRC
Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	R A, D
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	R BBRC
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	R A, D away from Lea Valley or Rainham Marshes
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	R A, D
Great White Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	A
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	R A, N away from Lower Thames
Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	A
Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	A
Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>	R A, D
Golden Eagle*	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	R A, D
Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	A
Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	R A, D
Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	A
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	R A, D for all May to Sep records
Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrourus</i>	R BBRC
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>	R A, D
Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	A
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	R A, D

White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>	R A, D
Rough-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo lagopus</i>	R A, D
Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	MM, NR, B, ST
Great Bustard*	<i>Otis tarda</i>	R BBRC
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>	A
Corncrake	<i>Crex crex</i>	R A, D
Little Crane*	<i>Porzana parva</i>	R BBRC
Baillon's Crane	<i>Porzana pusilla</i>	R BBRC
Spotted Crane	<i>Porzana porzana</i>	R A, D
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	MM, B, ST
Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	MM, B, ST
Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	R A, D
Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oediconemus</i>	R A, D
Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	A
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	R A, D
Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	A
Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	MM, NR, B, P
Sociable Plover	<i>Vanellus gregarius</i>	R BBRC
White-tailed Plover	<i>Vanellus leucurus</i>	R BBRC
Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	A
Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	R BBRC
American Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>	R A, D
Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	A
Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	A
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	A
Killdeer	<i>Charadrius vociferus</i>	R BBRC
Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	R A, D
Dotterel	<i>Charadrius morinellus</i>	R A, D
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	A
Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	A
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	A
Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	A
Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	A
Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	A
Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>	A
Broad-billed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris falcinellus</i>	R BBRC
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	R BBRC
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	A
Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>	R A, D
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	A
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	MM, NR, P, S
Purple Sandpiper	<i>Calidris maritima</i>	R A, D
Baird's Sandpiper	<i>Calidris bairdii</i>	R BBRC
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	A
White-rumped Sandpiper	<i>Calidris fuscicollis</i>	R A, D

Buff-breasted Sandpiper	<i>Calidris subruficollis</i>	R	A, D
Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>	R	A, D
Western Sandpiper	<i>Calidris mauri</i>	R	BBRC
Long-billed Dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus scolopaceus</i>	R	BBRC
Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>		A
Jack Snipe	<i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i>		A
Great Snipe	<i>Gallinago media</i>	R	BBRC
Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>		MM, NR, P, S
Wilson's Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus tricolor</i>	R	BBRC
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>	R	A, D
Grey Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus fulicarius</i>	R	A, D
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		A
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>Actitis macularius</i>	R	BBRC
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>		A
Solitary Sandpiper	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>	R	BBRC
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	R	BBRC
Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		MM, NR, P, S
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	R	BBRC
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>		A
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>		A
Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		A
Cream-coloured Courser*	<i>Cursorius cursor</i>	R	BBRC
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	R	BBRC
Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>		A
Sabine's Gull	<i>Xema sabini</i>	R	A, D
Bonaparte's Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus philadelphia</i>	R	BBRC
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>		MM, B, ST
Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>		A
Laughing Gull	<i>Leucophaeus atricilla</i>	R	BBRC
Franklin's Gull	<i>Leucophaeus pipixcan</i>	R	BBRC
Mediterranean Gull	<i>Ichthyaetus melanocephalus</i>		A
Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>		MM, ST
Ring-billed Gull	<i>Larus delawarensis</i>	R	A, D
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Glaucous-winged Gull	<i>Larus glaucescens</i>	R	BBRC
Glaucous Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>	R	A, D away from Lower Thames, West London reservoirs or Beddington.
Iceland Gull	<i>Larus glaucoides</i>	R	A, D away from Lower Thames, West London reservoirs or Beddington.
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>		MM, B, ST
Caspian Gull	<i>Larus cachinnans</i>		A
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>		A
Slaty-backed Gull	<i>Larus schistisagus</i>	R	BBRC

Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>		MM, B, ST
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>	R	BBRC
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	R	BBRC
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>		A
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>		A
Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	R	BBRC
Roseate Tern	<i>Sterna dougallii</i>	R	A, D
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		MM, NR, B, P, F&L, ST
Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>		A
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	R	BBRC
White-winged Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	R	A, D
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>		A
Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>	R	A, D
Pomarine Skua	<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>	R	A, D
Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	R	A, D away from Lower Thames.
Long-tailed Skua	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	R	A, D
Little Auk	<i>Alle alle</i>	R	A, D
Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>	R	A, D away from Lower Thames
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>	R	A, D
Black Guillemot*	<i>Cephus grylle</i>	R	A, D
Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>	R	A, D
Pallas's Sandgrouse	<i>Syrphantes paradoxus</i>	R	BBRC
Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>		MM, B, ST
Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		MM, B, P, ST
Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>		A
Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>	R	BBRC
Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	R	BBRC
Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>		A, F&L
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>		A
Scops Owl*	<i>Otus scops</i>	R	BBRC
Snowy Owl	<i>Bubo scandiacus</i>	R	BBRC
Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>		A
Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>		A
Tengmalm's Owl*	<i>Aegolius funereus</i>	R	BBRC
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>		A
Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>		A
Common Nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles minor</i>	R	BBRC
Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>	R	A, N
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	R	A, D
Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>		MM, B, P, F&L, ST
Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>	R	BBRC
Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		T
Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	R	A, D

Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	R	A, D
Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	R	A, D
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates minor</i>		T
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>		T
Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>		T
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>	R	BBRC
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Red-footed Falcon	<i>Falco vespertinus</i>	R	A, D
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>	R	A, N away from Lower Thames.
Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Gyr Falcon	<i>Falco rusticolus</i>	R	BBRC
Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Ring-necked Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>	R	BBRC
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	R	A, D
Daurian/Turkestan Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus/</i> <i>phoenicuroides</i>	R	BBRC
Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>	R	BBRC
Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>	R	A, D
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>	R	A, D
Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	R	A, D
Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>		MM, B, ST
Nutcracker	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>	R	BBRC
Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>		MM, NR, B, P
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		MM, B, ST
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	R	A, N
Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		A
Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>		A
Coal Tit	<i>Periparus ater</i>		MM, NR, T, ST
Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>	R	A, D
Marsh Tit	<i>Poecile palustris</i>		A
Willow Tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>	R	A, D
Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		MM, T, ST
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		MM, T, ST
Penduline Tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>	R	A, D
Bearded Tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>		A
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>		A
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		A, B, P, W
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	R	BBRC
Shore Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>	R	A, D
Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>	R	A, D
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>		MM, NR, B, P, F&L, ST
Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		MM, NR, B, P, F&L, ST

House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		MM, NR, B, P, F&L, ST
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>	R	A, D
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>		A
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		MM, NR, T, ST, W
Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>		A
Hume's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus humei</i>	R	BBRC
Yellow-browed Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>		A
Pallas's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus proregulus</i>	R	A, D
Radde's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus schwarzi</i>	R	A, D
Dusky Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>	R	A, D
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>		A, T, F&L
Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		MM, NR, T, F&L, ST, W
Iberian Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus ibericus</i>	R	BBRC
Eastern Crowned Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus coronatus</i>	R	BBRC
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	R	BBRC
Aquatic Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus paludicola</i>	R	BBRC
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>		MM, NR, T, F&L, ST
Paddyfield Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>	R	BBRC
Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>	R	A, D
Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>		MM, NR, T, F&L, ST
Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>	R	A, D
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>	R	A, D
Icterine Warbler	<i>Hippolais icterina</i>	R	A, D
Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>		A
Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	R	BBRC
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		MM, NR, B, T, F&L, ST, W
Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>		A, T, F&L
Barred Warbler	<i>Sylvia nisoria</i>	R	A, D
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>		MM, NR, B, T, F&L, ST
Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>		MM, NR, B, T, F&L, ST
Dartford Warbler	<i>Sylvia undata</i>		A
Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>	R	BBRC if identified to subspecies, otherwise A, D
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	R	BBRC
Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>		A
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>		MM, NR, T, ST, W
Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		MM, T, ST
Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>		T
Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>		T
Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>	R	BBRC
Rose-coloured Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>	R	A, D
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>		MM, B, P, ST
Grey-cheeked Thrush	<i>Catharus minimus</i>	R	BBRC
Ring Ouzel	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>		A
Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		MM, T, ST

Naumann's Thrush	<i>Turdus naumanni</i>	R	BBRC
Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>		MM, NR, P, F&L
Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>		MM, NR, P, F&L
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>		MM, NR, T, P, ST
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>		MM, NR, T, P, ST
American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	R	BBRC
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>		A
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>		MM, T, ST
Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	R	A, D
Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>		A
Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>		A
Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>	R	A, D
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		A
Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>		A
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>		A
Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>		A
Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		A
Desert Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe deserti</i>	R	BBRC
Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>	R	A, D
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST
Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>		A
Alpine Accentor*	<i>Prunella collaris</i>	R	BBRC
Duncock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		MM, T, ST
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>		A
Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>	R	A, D
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		MM, NR, B, ST, W
Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		MM, NR, B, ST
Richard's Pipit	<i>Anthus richardi</i>	R	A, D
Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>	R	BBRC
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST, W
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>		A
Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>	R	A, D
Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>	R	BBRC
Buff-bellied Pipit	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>	R	BBRC
Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>		A
Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>		A
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		MM, B, P, ST
Brambling	<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>		A
Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>		A
Pine Grosbeak*	<i>Pinicola enucleator</i>	R	BBRC
Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>		A, B, ST
Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>	R	A, D
Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST
Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>	R	A, D
Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		MM, NR, B, W

Common Redpoll [Mealy]	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>		A
Lesser Redpoll	<i>Acanthis cabaret</i>		MM, NR, P, S
Arctic Redpoll	<i>Acanthis hornemanni</i>	R	BBRC if identified to subspecies, otherwise A, D
Parrot Crossbill	<i>Loxia pytyopsittacus</i>	R	A, D
Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>		A
Two-barred Crossbill*	<i>Loxia leucoptera</i>	R	BBRC
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		MM, NR, B, P, ST
Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	R	A, D
Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>		MM, NR, P, S
Lapland Bunting	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>	R	A, D
Snow Bunting	<i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>	R	A, N
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>		A
Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>		A
Pine Bunting	<i>Emberiza leucocephalos</i>	R	BBRC
Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	R	A, D
Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>	R	A, D
Little Bunting	<i>Emberiza pusilla</i>	R	A, D
Rustic Bunting	<i>Emberiza rustica</i>	R	BBRC
Black-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza melanocephala</i>	R	BBRC
Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>		MM, NR, T, P, ST
Dark-eyed Junco	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	R	BBRC

All records of escapes are also welcomed by the Society. All records of hybrids and birds showing plumage aberrance are also welcomed.

### Subspecies

All records of subspecies/races are welcomed. Full descriptions are required for the following: White Wagtail in autumn; Yellow Wagtail races other than *M. f. flavissima* and spring records of Blue-headed Wagtail; Siberian Chiffchaff; Northern Willow Warbler; Continental Coal Tit and Northern Bullfinch. For other subspecies please provide your reasons for assigning the record to a particular subspecies/race.

## BREEDING CRITERIA

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When sending in breeding records, please enter: 'possible breeding', 'probable breeding' or 'confirmed breeding' in the Notes section on the electronic records form according to the definitions below. Additional information should also be given, such as number of territories, broods, nests, young fledged, etc.

### Possible breeding

- Species observed in breeding season in suitable nesting habitat
- Singing male present (or breeding calls heard) in breeding season in suitable habitat

### Probable breeding

- Pair observed in suitable nesting habitat in breeding season
- Permanent territory presumed on at least two different days, a week or more apart
- Courtship and display (judged to be in or near potential breeding habitat)
- Visiting probable nest-site
- Agitated behaviour or anxiety calls from adults, suggesting nest or young near by
- Brood patch on adult examined in the hand, suggesting incubation
- Nest-building or excavating nest-hole

### Confirmed breeding

- Distraction-display or injury-feigning
- Used nest or eggshells found (occupied or laid within period of survey)
- Recently-fledged young (for warblers and other birds whose young are fed at the nest for some time after hatching, 'nidicolous species') or downy young (for ducks and other birds where the young leave the nest soon after hatching, 'nidifugous species')
- Adults entering or leaving nest-site in circumstances indicating occupied nest
- Adult carrying faecal sac or food for young
- Nest containing eggs
- Nest with young seen or heard

The above breeding categories are as used in the BTO Atlas project.