

# Official Louisiana Field Check-list

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Species order follows taxonomic sequence of *Check-list of North American Birds 7<sup>th</sup> edition* (AOU 1998; updated through 51<sup>st</sup> Supplement (AOU 2010)). Included for convenience (and indented from main list) are some additional major subspecies/forms that are known to occur in Louisiana (indicated by quotation marks) and some generic categories (in *italics*) for some difficult to identify species groups.

___ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	___ Wilson's Storm-Petrel
___ Fulvous Whistling-Duck	___ Leach's Storm-Petrel *
___ Greater White-fronted Goose	___ Band-rumped Storm-Petrel
___ Snow Goose	___ Red-billed Tropicbird *
___ Ross's Goose	___ Jabiru *
___ Brant *	___ Wood Stork
___ Cackling Goose	___ Magnificent Frigatebird
___ Canada Goose *	___ Masked Booby
___ Trumpeter Swan (Q) *	___ Brown Booby *
___ Tundra Swan *	___ Red-footed Booby *
___ Wood Duck	___ Northern Gannet
___ Gadwall	___ Neotropic Cormorant
___ Eurasian Wigeon *	___ Double-crested Cormorant
___ American Wigeon	___ Anhinga
___ American Black Duck *	___ American White Pelican
___ Mallard	___ Brown Pelican
___ Mottled Duck	___ American Bittern
___ Blue-winged Teal	___ Least Bittern
___ Cinnamon Teal *	___ Great Blue Heron
___ Northern Shoveler	___ Great Egret
___ Northern Pintail	___ Snowy Egret
___ Green-winged Teal	___ Little Blue Heron
___ Canvasback	___ Tricolored Heron
___ Redhead	___ Reddish Egret
___ Ring-necked Duck	___ Cattle Egret
___ Greater Scaup	___ Green Heron
___ Lesser Scaup	___ Black-crowned Night-Heron
___ King Eider *	___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
___ Surf Scoter	___ White Ibis
___ White-winged Scoter *	___ Glossy Ibis
___ Black Scoter	___ White-faced Ibis
___ Long-tailed Duck *	..... <i>dark ibis</i> , sp.
___ Bufflehead	___ Roseate Spoonbill
___ Common Goldeneye	___ Black Vulture
___ Hooded Merganser	___ Turkey Vulture
___ Common Merganser *	___ Osprey
___ Red-breasted Merganser	___ Swallow-tailed Kite
___ Masked Duck *	___ White-tailed Kite
___ Ruddy Duck	___ Mississippi Kite
___ Northern Bobwhite	___ Bald Eagle
___ Greater Prairie-Chicken (e) *	___ Northern Harrier
___ Wild Turkey	___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
___ Red-throated Loon *	___ Cooper's Hawk
___ Common Loon	___ Northern Goshawk *
___ Least Grebe *	___ Harris's Hawk *
___ Pied-billed Grebe	___ Red-shouldered Hawk
___ Horned Grebe	___ Broad-winged Hawk
___ Red-necked Grebe *	___ Swainson's Hawk
___ Eared Grebe	___ White-tailed Hawk *
___ Western Grebe *	___ Zone-tailed Hawk *
___ American Flamingo *	___ Red-tailed Hawk
___ Yellow-nosed Albatross *	___ Ferruginous Hawk *
___ Cory's Shearwater *	___ Rough-legged Hawk *
___ Great Shearwater *	___ Golden Eagle *
___ Manx Shearwater *	___ Crested Caracara
___ Audubon's Shearwater *	___ American Kestrel

\_\_\_\_ Merlin  
\_\_\_\_ Peregrine Falcon  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow Rail  
\_\_\_\_ Black Rail \*  
\_\_\_\_ Clapper Rail  
\_\_\_\_ King Rail  
\_\_\_\_ Virginia Rail  
\_\_\_\_ Sora  
\_\_\_\_ Purple Gallinule  
\_\_\_\_ Common Moorhen  
\_\_\_\_ American Coot  
\_\_\_\_ Sandhill Crane  
\_\_\_\_ Whooping Crane (e) \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover  
\_\_\_\_ American Golden-Plover  
\_\_\_\_ Lesser Sand-Plover \*  
\_\_\_\_ Snowy Plover  
\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Plover  
\_\_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover  
\_\_\_\_ Piping Plover  
\_\_\_\_ Killdeer  
\_\_\_\_ American Oystercatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Black-necked Stilt  
\_\_\_\_ American Avocet  
\_\_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Solitary Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs  
\_\_\_\_ Willet  
\_\_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs  
\_\_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Eskimo Curlew (E?) \*  
\_\_\_\_ Whimbrel  
\_\_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew  
\_\_\_\_ Black-tailed Godwit \*  
\_\_\_\_ Hudsonian Godwit  
\_\_\_\_ Marbled Godwit  
\_\_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone  
\_\_\_\_ Red Knot  
\_\_\_\_ Sanderling  
\_\_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Western Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Least Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ White-rumped Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Purple Sandpiper \*  
\_\_\_\_ Dunlin  
\_\_\_\_ Curlew Sandpiper \*  
\_\_\_\_ Stilt Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Buff-breasted Sandpiper  
\_\_\_\_ Ruff \*  
\_\_\_\_ Short-billed Dowitcher  
\_\_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher  
.....*dowitcher*, sp.  
\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe  
\_\_\_\_ American Woodcock  
\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Phalarope  
\_\_\_\_ Red-necked Phalarope \*  
\_\_\_\_ Red Phalarope \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-legged Kittiwake \*  
\_\_\_\_ Sabine's Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull  
\_\_\_\_ Little Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Laughing Gull  
\_\_\_\_ Franklin's Gull  
\_\_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull  
\_\_\_\_ Western Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ California Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Herring Gull  
\_\_\_\_ Thayer's Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Lesser Black-backed Gull

\_\_\_\_ Glaucous Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Great Black-backed Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Kelp Gull \*  
\_\_\_\_ Brown Noddy \*  
\_\_\_\_ Sooty Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Bridled Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Least Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Gull-billed Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Caspian Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Black Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Common Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Arctic Tern \*  
\_\_\_\_ Forster's Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Royal Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Sandwich Tern  
\_\_\_\_ Black Skimmer  
\_\_\_\_ Pomarine Jaeger  
\_\_\_\_ Parasitic Jaeger \*  
\_\_\_\_ Long-tailed Jaeger \*  
\_\_\_\_ Ancient Murrelet \*  
\_\_\_\_ Rock Pigeon (I)  
\_\_\_\_ Band-tailed Pigeon \*  
\_\_\_\_ Eurasian Collared-Dove (I)  
\_\_\_\_ White-winged Dove  
\_\_\_\_ Mourning Dove  
\_\_\_\_ Passenger Pigeon (E)  
\_\_\_\_ Inca Dove  
\_\_\_\_ Common Ground-Dove  
\_\_\_\_ Carolina Parakeet (E)  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo  
\_\_\_\_ Mangrove Cuckoo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo  
\_\_\_\_ Greater Roadrunner  
\_\_\_\_ Smooth-billed Ani \*  
\_\_\_\_ Groove-billed Ani  
\_\_\_\_ Barn Owl  
\_\_\_\_ Flammulated Owl \*  
\_\_\_\_ Eastern Screech-Owl  
\_\_\_\_ Great Horned Owl  
\_\_\_\_ Snowy Owl \*  
\_\_\_\_ Burrowing Owl \*  
\_\_\_\_ Barred Owl  
\_\_\_\_ Long-eared Owl \*  
\_\_\_\_ Short-eared Owl  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl \*  
\_\_\_\_ Lesser Nighthawk \*  
\_\_\_\_ Common Nighthawk  
\_\_\_\_ Antillean Nighthawk \*  
\_\_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow  
\_\_\_\_ Whip-poor-will  
\_\_\_\_ Chimney Swift  
\_\_\_\_ Vaux's Swift \*  
\_\_\_\_ Green Violet-ear \*  
\_\_\_\_ Green-breasted Mango \*  
\_\_\_\_ Broad-billed Hummingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Buff-bellied Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Blue-throated Hummingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Magnificent Hummingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Black-chinned Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Anna's Hummingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Calliope Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Broad-tailed Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Rufous Hummingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Allen's Hummingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Ringed Kingfisher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher  
\_\_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Williamson's Sapsucker \*  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

\_\_\_\_ Red-naped Sapsucker \*  
\_\_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Red-cockaded Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Northern "Yellow-shafted" Flicker  
....."Red-shafted Flicker" (Q) \*  
\_\_\_\_ Pileated Woodpecker  
\_\_\_\_ Ivory-billed Woodpecker (E?) \*  
\_\_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Western Wood-Pewee \*  
\_\_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Acadian Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Alder Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Least Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Hammond's Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Gray Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Pacific-slope Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Cordilleran Flycatcher \*  
.....*Empidonax*, sp.  
\_\_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe  
\_\_\_\_ Say's Phoebe \*  
\_\_\_\_ Vermilion Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Ash-throated Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Brown-crested Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Great Kiskadee \*  
\_\_\_\_ Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Crowned Slaty Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Tropical Kingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Couch's Kingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Cassin's Kingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Western Kingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Gray Kingbird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Fork-tailed Flycatcher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike  
\_\_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Bell's Vireo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-throated Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Plumbeous Vireo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Cassin's Vireo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Warbling Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-green Vireo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-whiskered Vireo \*  
\_\_\_\_ Blue Jay  
\_\_\_\_ Clark's Nutcracker \*  
\_\_\_\_ American Crow  
\_\_\_\_ Fish Crow  
\_\_\_\_ Chihuahuan Raven \*  
\_\_\_\_ Horned Lark  
\_\_\_\_ Purple Martin  
\_\_\_\_ Brown-chested Martin \*  
\_\_\_\_ Tree Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Rough-winged Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Bank Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Cliff Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Cave Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Barn Swallow  
\_\_\_\_ Carolina Chickadee  
\_\_\_\_ Tufted Titmouse  
\_\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch  
\_\_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch  
\_\_\_\_ Brown-headed Nuthatch  
\_\_\_\_ Brown Creeper  
\_\_\_\_ Rock Wren \*

\_\_\_\_ Carolina Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Bewick's Wren  
\_\_\_\_ House Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Winter Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Sedge Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Marsh Wren  
\_\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher  
\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet  
\_\_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Wheatear \*  
\_\_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird  
\_\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird \*  
\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire \*  
\_\_\_\_ Veery  
\_\_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ Wood Thrush  
\_\_\_\_ American Robin  
\_\_\_\_ Varied Thrush \*  
\_\_\_\_ Gray Catbird  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird  
\_\_\_\_ Sage Thrasher \*  
\_\_\_\_ Brown Thrasher  
\_\_\_\_ Curve-billed Thrasher \*  
\_\_\_\_ European Starling (I)  
\_\_\_\_ White Wagtail \*  
\_\_\_\_ American Pipit  
\_\_\_\_ Sprague's Pipit  
\_\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing  
\_\_\_\_ McCown's Longspur \*  
\_\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur  
\_\_\_\_ Smith's Longspur \*  
\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-collared Longspur \*  
\_\_\_\_ Bachman's Warbler (E?) \*  
\_\_\_\_ Blue-winged Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Golden-winged Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Virginia's Warbler \*  
\_\_\_\_ Lucy's Warbler \*  
\_\_\_\_ Northern Parula  
\_\_\_\_ Tropical Parula \*  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Magnolia Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Cape May Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Blue Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped "Myrtle" Warbler  
....."Audubon's Warbler" \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Gray Warbler \*  
\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Green Warbler  
\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Warbler \*  
\_\_\_\_ Hermit 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  
 \_\_\_\_\_ MacGillivray's Warbler \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hooded Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Canada Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-faced Warbler \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Painted Redstart \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Green-tailed Towhee \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Spotted Towhee\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Towhee  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cassin's Sparrow \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bachman's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Tree Sparrow \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chipping Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brewer's Sparrow \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Field Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Vesper Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lark Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lark Bunting \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Savannah Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Baird's Sparrow \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Grasshopper Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Henslow's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Le Conte's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Nelson's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Seaside Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fox Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Song Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Harris's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Sparrow \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dark-eyed "Slate-colored" Junco  
 ..... "Gray-headed Junco" \*  
 ..... "Oregon Junco"  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hepatic Tanager \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Summer Tanager  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Scarlet Tanager

\_\_\_\_\_ Western Tanager \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Cardinal  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue Bunting \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue Grosbeak  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lazuli Bunting \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Indigo Bunting  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Varied Bunting \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Painted Bunting  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dickcissel  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bobolink  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Meadowlark  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Grackle  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Boat-tailed Grackle  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Great-tailed Grackle  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Shiny Cowbird \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bronzed Cowbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orchard Oriole  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hooded Oriole \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bullock's Oriole \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Scott's Oriole \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Finch  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Finch (I)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red Crossbill \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Siskin  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lesser Goldfinch \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Goldfinch  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak \*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Sparrow (I)

Total: 471 species

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\* = species on Review List of the Louisiana Bird Records Committee

(E) = extinct; (e) = formerly present but now extirpated in Louisiana; (Q) = status in question

(I) = established introduced population, or records originate from established introduced population

H = Hypothetical (none currently so designated: LBRC requires specimen/photo for acceptance of First State Record)

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Details of Review List species, or species not on this list, should be reported to: Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216; or submitted online at [www.losbird.org](http://www.losbird.org).