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SOUTH DAKOTA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist for the Spring Season

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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	Grebes (Podicipedidae)	* Semipalmated Plover (R)	* Caspian Tern (R)	* Red-tailed Hawk (R)	* Say's Phoebe (R)
(Anatidae)	* Pied-billed Grebe (R)	* Piping Plover (R)	* Black Tern (R)	* Rough-legged Hawk (R)	* Great Crested Flycatcher (R
* Snow Goose (R)	* Horned Grebe (R)	* Killdeer (R)	* Common Tern (R)	* Ferruginous Hawk (R)	Cassin's Kingbird (R)
* Greater White-fronted Goose	* Red-necked Grebe (R)	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and	Arctic Tern (C)	Barn Owls (Tytonidae)	* Western Kingbird (R)
(R)	* Eared Grebe (R)	Allies (Scolopacidae)	* Forster's Tern (R)	* American Barn Owl (R)	* Eastern Kingbird (R)
* Cackling Goose (R)	* Western Grebe (R)	* Upland Sandpiper (R)	Loons (Gaviidae)	Typical Owls (Strigidae)	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (A)
* Canada Goose (R)	* Clark's Grebe (R)	Whimbrel (R)	Red-throated Loon (C)	* Eastern Screech-Owl (R)	Vireos (Vireonidae)
* Trumpeter Swan (R)	Pigeons and Doves	* Long-billed Curlew (R)	* Common Loon (R)	* Great Horned Owl (R)	White-eyed Vireo (C)
* Tundra Swan (R)	(Columbidae)	* Hudsonian Godwit (R)	Cormorants	* Snowy Owl (R)	* Bell's Vireo (R)
* Wood Duck (R)	* Rock Pigeon (R)	* Marbled Godwit (R)	(Phalacrocoracidae)	* Burrowing Owl (R)	* Yellow-throated Vireo (R)
* Blue-winged Teal (R)	* Eurasian Collared-Dove (R)	* Ruddy Turnstone (R)	Neotropic Cormorant (R)	Barred Owl (R)	* Blue-headed Vireo (R)
* Cinnamon Teal (R)	White-winged Dove (R)	Red Knot (R)	* Double-crested Cormorant (R)	* Long-eared Owl (R)	* Plumbeous Vireo (R)
* Northern Shoveler (R)	* Mourning Dove (R)	Ruff (A)	Pelicans (Pelecanidae)	* Short-eared Owl (R)	* Philadelphia Vireo (R)
* Gadwall (R)	Cuckoos, Roadrunners, and	* Stilt Sandpiper (R)	* American White Pelican (R)	* Northern Saw-whet Owl (R)	* Warbling Vireo (R)
Eurasian Wigeon (A)	Anis (Cuculidae)	Curlew Sandpiper (A)	Brown Pelican (A)	Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)	* Red-eyed Vireo (R)
* American Wigeon (R)	* Yellow-billed Cuckoo (R)	* Sanderling (R)	Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	* Belted Kingfisher (R)	Shrikes (Laniidae)
* Mallard (R)	* Black-billed Cuckoo (R)	* Dunlin (R)	, ,	Woodpeckers and Allies	* Loggerhead Shrike (R)
American Black Duck (R)	, ,	* Baird's Sandpiper (R)	(Ardeidae)	(Picidae)	* Northern Shrike (R)
* Northern Pintail (R)	Goatsuckers (Caprimulgidae)	* Least Sandpiper (R)	* American Bittern (R)	* Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (R)	Jays and Crows (Corvidae
* Green-winged Teal (R)	* Common Nighthawk (R)	* White-rumped Sandpiper (R)	Least Bittern (R)	* Red-naped Sapsucker (R)	* Canada Jay (R)
* Canvasback (R)	* Common Poorwill (R)	Buff-breasted Sandpiper (R)	* Great Blue Heron (R)	* Lewis's Woodpecker (R)	Pinyon Jay (R)
* Redhead (R)	Chuck-will's-widow (C)	* Pectoral Sandpiper (R)	* Great Egret (R)	* Red-headed Woodpecker (R)	* Blue Jay (R)
* Ring-necked Duck (R)	* Eastern Whip-poor-will (R)	* Semipalmated Sandpiper (R)	* Snowy Egret (R)	* Red-bellied Woodpecker (R)	* Black-billed Magpie (R)
* Greater Scaup (R)	Swifts (Apodidae)	Western Sandpiper (A)	Little Blue Heron (R)	* American Three-toed	Clark's Nutcracker (R)
* Lesser Scaup (R)	* Chimney Swift (R)	* Short-billed Dowitcher (R)	Tricolored Heron (A)	Woodpecker (R)	* American Crow (R)
Harlequin Duck (A)	* White-throated Swift (R)	* Long-billed Dowitcher (R)	* Western Cattle Egret (R)	* Black-backed Woodpecker (R)	Common Raven (R)
Surf Scoter (R)	Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)	* American Woodcock (R)	* Green Heron (R)	* Downy Woodpecker (R)	Chickadees and Titmice
White-winged Scoter (R)	* Ruby-throated Hummingbird (R)	* Wilson's Snipe (R)	* Black-crowned Night-Heron (R) Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (R)	* Hairy Woodpecker (R)	(Paridae)
Black Scoter (R)	Black-chinned Hummingbird (A)	* Wilson's Phalarope (R)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	* Pileated Woodpecker (R)	* Black-capped Chickadee (R
* Long-tailed Duck (R)	* Broad-tailed Hummingbird (R)	* Red-necked Phalarope (R)	Ibises and Spoonbills	* Northern Flicker (R)	Tufted Titmouse (A)
* Bufflehead (R)	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	* Spotted Sandpiper (R)	(Threskiornithidae)	Caracaras and Falcons	Larks (Alaudidae)
* Common Goldeneye (R)	(Rallidae)	* Solitary Sandpiper (R)	* Glossy Ibis (R)		* Horned Lark (R)
Barrow's Goldeneye (R)	King Rail (A)	* Greater Yellowlegs (R)	* White-faced Ibis (R)	(Falconidae)	, ,
* Hooded Merganser (R)	* Virginia Rail (R)	* Willet (R)	New World Vultures	* American Kestrel (R)	Swallows (Hirundinidae)
* Common Merganser (R)	* Sora (R)	* Lesser Yellowlegs (R)	(Cathartidae)	* Merlin (R)	* Northern Rough-winged
* Red-breasted Merganser (R)	Common Gallinule (R)	Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers	* Turkey Vulture (R)	Gyrfalcon (R)	Swallow (R)
* Ruddy Duck (R)	* American Coot (R)	(Laridae)	Ospreys (Pandionidae)	* Peregrine Falcon (R)	* Purple Martin (R)
New World Quail	Cranes (Gruidae)	* Bonaparte's Gull (R)	* Osprey (R)	* Prairie Falcon (R)	* Tree Swallow (R)
(Odontophoridae)	* Sandhill Crane (R)	Laughing Gull (A)	Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and	Tyrant Flycatchers	* Violet-green Swallow (R)
* Northern Bobwhite (R)	* Whooping Crane (R)	* Franklin's Gull (R)		(Tyrannidae)	* Bank Swallow (R)
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,	Stilts and Avocets	Mew Gull (R)	Allies (Accipitridae)	* Olive-sided Flycatcher (R)	* Barn Swallow (R)
and Old World Quail		* Ring-billed Gull (R)	* Golden Eagle (R)	* Western Wood-Pewee (R)	* Cliff Swallow (R)
	(Recurvirostridae)	* California Gull (R)	Mississippi Kite (C)	* Eastern Wood-Pewee (R)	Kinglets (Regulidae)
(Phasianidae)	Black-necked Stilt (R)	* American Herring Gull (R)	* Northern Harrier (R)	* Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (R)	* Golden-crowned Kinglet (R)
* Wild Turkey (R)	* American Avocet (R)	* Iceland Gull (R)	* Sharp-shinned Hawk (R)	* Alder Flycatcher (R)	* Ruby-crowned Kinglet (R)
* Ruffed Grouse (R)	Lapwings and Plovers	* Lesser Black-backed Gull (R)	* Cooper's Hawk (R)	* Willow Flycatcher (R)	Waxwings (Bombycillidae)
* Greater Sage-Grouse (R)	(Charadriidae)	Glaucous-winged Gull (A)	* American Goshawk (R)	* Least Flycatcher (R)	* Bohemian Waxwing (R)
* Sharp-tailed Grouse (R) * Greater Prairie-Chicken (R)	* Black-bellied Plover (R)	* Glaucous Gull (R)	* Bald Eagle (R)	* Dusky Flycatcher (R)	* Cedar Waxwing (R)
* Gray Partridge (R)	* American Golden-Plover (R)	Great Black-backed Gull (R)	Red-shouldered Hawk (C) * Broad-winged Hawk (R)	* Western Flycatcher (R)	Nuthatches (Sittidae)
	Snowy Plover (C)	* Least Tern (R)	* Swainson's Hawk (R)	* Eastern Phoebe (R)	* Red-breasted Nuthatch (R)
* Ring-necked Pheasant (R)			Swainson's nawk (K)		

* White-breasted Nuthatch (R)	* Lapland Longspur (R)	* Connecticut Warbler (R)	
* Pygmy Nuthatch (R)	* Chestnut-collared Longspur (R)	* MacGillivray's Warbler (R)	
Creepers (Certhiidae)	Smith's Longspur (C)	* Mourning Warbler (R)	
* Brown Creeper (R)	Thick-billed Longspur (C)	Kentucky Warbler (R)	
Gnatcatchers (Polioptilidae)	* Snow Bunting (R)	* Common Yellowthroat (R)	
* Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (R)	New World Sparrows and	Hooded Warbler (R)	
Wrens (Troglodytidae)	Towhees (Passerellidae)	* American Redstart (R)	
* Rock Wren (R)	Cassin's Sparrow (C)	* Cape May Warbler (R)	
* Canyon Wren (R)	* Grasshopper Sparrow (R)	Cerulean Warbler (A)	
* Northern House Wren (R)	* Chipping Sparrow (R)	* Northern Parula (R) * Magnolia Warbler (R)	
Pacific Wren (R)	* Clay-colored Sparrow (R)	* Bay-breasted Warbler (R)	
* Winter Wren (R)	* Field Sparrow (R)	* Blackburnian Warbler (R)	
* Sedge Wren (R)	* Brewer's Sparrow (R)	* Yellow Warbler (R)	
* Marsh Wren (R)	* Lark Sparrow (R)	* Chestnut-sided Warbler (R)	
Carolina Wren (R)	* Lark Bunting (R)* American Tree Sparrow (R)	* Blackpoll Warbler (R)	
Mockingbirds and Thrashers	* Fox Sparrow (R)	Black-throated Blue Warbler (R)	
(Mimidae)	* Dark-eyed Junco (R)	* Palm Warbler (R)	
* Gray Catbird (R)	* White-crowned Sparrow (R)	Pine Warbler (R)	
* Brown Thrasher (R)	* Harris's Sparrow (R)	* Yellow-rumped Warbler (R)	
Sage Thrasher (R)	* White-throated Sparrow (R)	Yellow-throated Warbler (A)	
* Northern Mockingbird (R)	* Vesper Sparrow (R)	Prairie Warbler (A)	
Starlings (Sturnidae)	Le Conte's Sparrow (R)	Black-throated Gray Warbler (A	
* European Starling (R)	Nelson's Sparrow (R)	Townsend's Warbler (R)	
Dippers (Cinclidae)	* Savannah Sparrow (R)	Hermit Warbler (A)	
* American Dipper (R)	* Baird's Sparrow (R)	* Black-throated Green Warbler	
Thrushes (Turdidae)	Henslow's Sparrow (R)	(R)	
* Eastern Bluebird (R)	* Song Sparrow (R)	* Canada Warbler (R)	
* Mountain Bluebird (R)	* Lincoln's Sparrow (R)	* Wilson's Warbler (R)	
* Townsend's Solitaire (R)	* Swamp Sparrow (R)	Cardinals, Piranga Tanagers	
Varied Thrush (R)	Green-tailed Towhee (C)	and Allies (Cardinalidae)	
* Veery (R)	* Spotted Towhee (R)	Summer Tanager (R)	
* Gray-cheeked Thrush (R)	* Eastern Towhee (R)	* Scarlet Tanager (R)	
* Swainson's Thrush (R) * Hermit Thrush (R)	Yellow-breasted Chat	* Western Tanager (R) * Northern Cardinal (R)	
* Wood Thrush (R)	(Icteriidae)	* Rose-breasted Grosbeak (R)	
* American Robin (R)	* Yellow-breasted Chat (R)	* Black-headed Grosbeak (R)	
Old World Sparrows	Blackbirds (Icteridae)	* Blue Grosbeak (R)	
•	* Yellow-headed Blackbird (R)	* Lazuli Bunting (R)	
(Passeridae)	* Bobolink (R)	* Indigo Bunting (R)	
* House Sparrow (R)	* Western Meadowlark (R)	Painted Bunting (A)	
Eurasian Tree Sparrow (C)	* Eastern Meadowlark (R)	* Dickcissel (R)	
Wagtails and Pipits	* Orchard Oriole (R)		
(Motacillidae)	* Bullock's Oriole (R) * Baltimore Oriole (R)		
* American Pipit (R)	* Red-winged Blackbird (R)	Copyright South Dakota	
Sprague's Pipit (R)	* Brown-headed Cowbird (R)	Ornithologists' Union.	
Fringilline and Cardueline	* Rusty Blackbird (R)	2025. All Rights	
Finches and Allies	* Brewer's Blackbird (R)	Reserved.	
(Fringillidae)	* Common Grackle (R)		
Evening Grosbeak (R)	* Great-tailed Grackle (R)		
Pine Grosbeak (R)	Wood-Warblers (Parulidae)		
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (R)	* Ovenbird (R)		
* House Finch (R)	Worm-eating Warbler (C)		
* Purple Finch (R) * Cassin's Finch (R)	Louisiana Waterthrush (A)		
* Common Redpoll (R)	* Northern Waterthrush (R)		
	* Golden-winged Warbler (R)		
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