FIELD CHECKLIST OF IOWA BIRDS
Iowa Ornithologists' Union, Revised 2018. 429 Total Species
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Weather: Temp.: ____________ Wind: _____ – _____ mph from ____. Location(s) __________________________________________________

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regular species

(Recorded in at least 8 of last 10 years)

ANATIDAE

Snow Goose
Ross's Goose
Greater White-fronted Goose
Cackling Goose
Canada Goose
*Mute Swan
Trumpeter Swan
Tundra Swan
Wood Duck
Blue-winged Teal
Cinnamon Teal
Northern Shoveler
Gadwall
American Wigeon
Mallard
American Black Duck
Drake Bufflehead
Green-winged Teal
Canvasback
Redhead
Ring-necked Duck
*Greater Scaup
Lesser Scaup
Surf Scoter
White-winged Scoter
Black Scoter
Long-tailed Duck
Bufflehead
Common Goldeneye
Hooded Merganser
Common Merganser
Red-breasted Merganser
Ruddy Duck

ODONTOPHORIDAE

Northern Bobwhite

PHASIANIDAE

Gray Partridge
Ring-necked Pheasant
Ruffed Grouse
Wild Turkey

PODICIPEDIDAE

Pied-billed Grebe
Horned Grebe
Red-necked Grebe
Eared Grebe
Western Grebe

COLUMBIDAE

Rock Pigeon
Eurasian Collared-Dove
White-winged Dove
Mourning Dove

CUCULIDAE

Yellow-billed Cuckoo
*Black-billed Cuckoo

CAPRIMULGIDAE

Common Nighthawker
*Chuck-will's-widow
Eastern Whip-poor-will

APODIDAE

Chimney Swift

TROCHILIDAE

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

RALLIDAE

*Yellow Rail
Virginia Rail
*Sora
#Common Gallinule
American Coot

GRUIDAE

Sandhill Crane

RECUMBIVOROSTRIDA

Black-necked Stilt
American Avocet

CHARADRIIDAE

Black-bellied Plover
American Golden-Plover
Semipalmated Plover

SCOLOPACIDAE

#Greater Plover
Killdeer

SCOLIAEIDAE

*Upland Sandpiper
*Whimbrel
Hudsonian Godwit
Marbled Godwit
Ruddy Turnstone
Stilt Sandpiper
Sanderling

PHALACROCORACIDAE

*Neotropic Cormorant
Double-crested Cormorant

PELICANIDAE

American White Pelican

ARDIIDAE

*American Bittern
#Least Bittern
Great Blue Heron
Great Egret
Snowy Egret
Cattle Egret
Green Heron
*Black-crowned Night-Heron
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

THRESKIORNITHIDAE

White-faced Ibis

CATHARIDAE

Turkey Vulture

PANDIONIDAE

Osprey

ACCIPTRIDAE

Mississippi Kite
#Bald Eagle
#Northern Harrier
Sharp-shinned Hawk
Cooper's Hawk
Northern Goshawk
#Red-shouldered Hawk
#Broad-winged Hawk
Swainson's Hawk
Red-tailed Hawk
Rough-legged Hawk