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## **New Hampshire Bird Sighting Documentation**

Please fill out this form as completely as possible to document unusual sightings. Observers are encouraged to submit a copy of any field notes taken during observation. Sketches and/or photographs are invaluable in documenting sightings – **please submit them with your form**. Documentation form and photos may be sent via e-mail – see below.

**Species:**

**Number observed:**

**Age and Sex** (if known):

**Date seen:**

**Time of day:**

**Town:**

**Location** (be as specific as possible):

**Observers:**

**Description of bird:** include all **field marks** observed – relative size and shape; head pattern and color (crown, cheeks, eyes, throat, nape); bill and feet (shape, color, length); back and rump (color and pattern); wings (shape, length, markings); breast and flanks (color and markings); tail (shape, length, markings).

**Similar or confusing species eliminated and why:**

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**Behavior of bird** (feeding actions, manner of flight, displays):

**Songs and calls** (describe any heard):

**Habitat:**

**Previous acquaintance** with this and similar species:

**Observation conditions:**

Distance from bird:

Length of observation:

Weather:

Visibility:

Light conditions:

Optical equipment used:

Did you use a bird book during observation? \_\_\_\_\_

Which one?

**Any other comments:**

**Reporter** (person filling out this form):

**Address:**

**Phone number:** (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:**

**Date form filled out:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:**

Mail printed copy to:

NH Audubon – *New Hampshire Bird Records*, 84 Silk Farm Road, Concord, NH 03301  
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