

GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF RECORDS

These guidelines apply from Jan 1st 2016.

The following categories give some indication of the types of records required for each species.

RECORDS OF NATIONAL RARITIES

Records currently assessed by the British Birds Rarities Committee (BBRC) require a full description. Description forms are available from the BBRC website or from the County Recorder, who will forward the completed forms to the BBRC. Records can also be submitted online (www.bbrc.org.uk).

COUNTY RECORDS (INCLUDING COUNTY RARITIES)

(a) **Species or subspecies** (latter in *italics*) **requiring descriptions** (all records required).

Tundra Bean Goose (<i>rossicus</i>)	Sabine's Gull
Taiga Bean Goose (<i>fabalis</i>)	Ring-billed Gull
Greenland White-fronted Goose (<i>flavirostris</i>)	Kumlien's Gull (<i>kumlieni</i>)
Pale-bellied Brent Goose (<i>hrota</i>)	Nightjar
American Wigeon	Alpine Swift
Green-winged Teal	Hoopoe
Ring-necked Duck	Bee-eater
Ferruginous Duck	Red-footed Falcon
Lesser Scaup	Ring-necked Parakeet
Eider	
Long-tailed Duck	Golden Oriole
Surf Scoter	Red-backed Shrike
Velvet Scoter	Great Grey Shrike (must exclude other possible races/forms)
Red-throated Diver	Woodchat Shrike
Black-throated Diver	
Great Northern Diver	Hooded Crow
Fulmar	Penduline Tit
Sooty Shearwater	Continental Coal Tit (<i>ater</i>)
Manx Shearwater	Willow Tit (should include call)
Storm Petrel	
Leach's Petrel	Short-toed Lark
Night-heron	Woodlark
Cattle Egret	Shore Lark
Purple Heron	Red-rumped Swallow
White Stork	
Glossy Ibis	Pallas's Warbler
Slavonian Grebe	Yellow-browed Warbler
Red-necked Grebe	Scandinavian Chiffchaff (<i>abietinus</i>)
Honey-buzzard	Siberian Chiffchaff (<i>tristis</i>)
Black Kite	Wood Warbler
White-tailed Eagle	Barred Warbler
Montagu's Harrier	Dartford Warbler
Goshawk	Icterine Warbler
Rough-legged Buzzard	Blyth's Reed Warbler
American Golden Plover	Marsh Warbler
Kentish Plover	Rose-coloured Starling
Purple Sandpiper	Dipper
White-rumped Sandpiper	Red-spotted Bluethroat (<i>svecica</i>)
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	White-spotted Bluethroat (<i>cyanecula</i>)
Pectoral Sandpiper	Red-breasted Flycatcher
Red-necked Phalarope	Grey-headed Wagtail (<i>thunbergi</i>)
Grey Phalarope	Richard's Pipit
Pomarine Skua	Common Rosefinch
Arctic Skua	Northern Bullfinch (<i>pyrrhula</i>)
Long-tailed Skua	Twite
Puffin	Greenland Redpoll (<i>rostrata</i>)
Razorbill	Arctic Redpoll
Little Auk	Serin
Guillemot	Snow Bunting
White-winged Black Tern	Lapland Bunting
Roseate Tern	Cirl Bunting
	Little Bunting

In addition, any significantly out-of-season migrant or any County first (species or subspecies) which is not on BBRC is required.

Submission forms for species requiring full descriptions

These can be obtained from the County Recorder and also from the Club website. Please note that the 'local rarities form' on BirdTrack is NOT considered an acceptable vehicle for submission at present. The following information is required:

- (1) Name of observer (address and telephone number) and names of other observers.
- (2) Who found and identified the bird and any who disagree with the identification?
- (3) Date, time of day and duration of observation.
- (4) An indication of weather and light conditions.
- (5) Optical aids used and distance of the bird(s) from the observer.
- (6) Identification of species, including where possible an estimate of sex and age.
- (7) An accurate, concise description made at the time of sighting, or as soon as possible afterwards, and preferably before referral to a field guide.
- (8) An indication of previous experience of the species and possible confusion species.

(b) Scarce or uncommon species (all records required).

(c) Common or abundant species (selected records required).

- (1) All records of confirmed breeding or birds holding territory.
- (2) All significant counts of roosts or flocks.
- (3) Earliest and latest records for migrants.
- (4) Migration or weather-related movements.

(d) Feral birds and escapes/suspected escapes (all records required).

(e) Hybrids (all records required).

Submitting records

Records can be submitted to the County Recorder by Email or on paper., or via birdtrack