

Checklist of the Dragonflies and Damselflies of North Carolina

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This is a listing of the 187 odonate species known to occur in the state. Listed after each species is its State Status, Federal Status, and Abundance Level in each of the four regions: Mountains (M), Piedmont (P), Sandhills (S), and Coastal Plain (C).

State Status (as identified by the NC Natural Heritage Program): [SR = Significantly Rare] [W = Watch List]

Federal Status (as designated by the US Fish & Wildlife Service): [FSC = Federal Species of Concern]

Abundance Level: [A = Abundant] [C = Common] [U = Uncommon] [R = Rare] [X = Casual; one to several records]

[(L) = Localized - occurs in less than 20% of the region] [H = Historical occurrence only, i.e., no records in over 20 years]

[* = Essentially restricted to coastal habitats] [? = Of uncertain occurrence in the region] [Blank = Not recorded in that region]

	M	P	S	C		M	P	S	C		M	P	S	C
PETALURIDAE - Petaltails														
<i>Petalura carolinensis</i> _____														
<i>Tachopteryx thoreyi</i> _____	U	U	X	?	<i>Gomphurus ventricosus</i> _____			R(L)		<i>Stylurus laurae</i> _____	R	R	X	R(L)
Gray Petaltail					Skillet Clubtail [SR]					Laura's Clubtail				
AESHNIDAE - Darners														
<i>Aeshna tuberculifera</i> _____	R	?			<i>Hagenius brevistylus</i> _____	U/C	U	U	U	<i>Stylurus plagiatu</i> _____		R/U	R	U
Black-tipped Darner [SR]					Dragonhunter					Russet-tipped Clubtail				
<i>Aeshna umbrosa</i> _____	U/C	U	R	R(L)	<i>Hylogomphus abbreviatus</i> _____			R/U	?	H	<i>Stylurus scudder</i> _____	R	?	
Shadow Darner					Spine-crowned Clubtail [SR]						Zebra Clubtail [SR]			
<i>Aeshna verticalis</i> _____	H	?			<i>Hylogomphus adelphus</i> _____	R	X				<i>Stylurus spiniceps</i> _____	R/U	R(L)	
Green-striped Darner [SR]					Mustached Clubtail [SR]						Arrow Clubtail			
<i>Anax junius</i> _____	C	C	C	C	<i>Hylogomphus apomyius</i> _____			R	R	R	<i>Stylurus townesi</i> _____			H
Common Green Darner					Banner Clubtail [W]						Townes's Clubtail [SR FSC]			
<i>Anax longipes</i> _____	R	R/U	U	U	<i>Hylogomphus parvidens</i> _____	R	R	U	R(L)	CORDULEGASTRIDAE - Spiketails				
Comet Darner					Piedmont Clubtail [W]					<i>Cordulegaster bilineata</i> _____	U/C	R/U	X/R	R
<i>Basiaeschna janata</i> _____	U	U/C	U/C	U	<i>Hylogomphus viridifrons</i> _____	R				Brown Spiketail				
Springtime Darner					Green-faced Clubtail [SR]					<i>Lanthus vernalis</i> _____	U/C	?		
<i>Boyeria grafiana</i> _____	R	?			Southern Pygmy Clubtail					<i>Ophiogomphus aspersus</i> _____	X/R			
Ocellated Darner [SR]					Brook Snaketail [SR]					<i>Ophiogomphus edmundo</i> _____	?	R(L)		
<i>Boyeria vinosa</i> _____	U/C	U/C	U/C	U	Edmund's Snaketail [SR FSC]					<i>Ophiogomphus howei</i> _____	X/R			
Fawn Darner					Pygmy Snaketail [SR FSC]					<i>Ophiogomphus incurvatus</i> _____	U(L)U	?		
<i>Coryphaeschna ingens</i> _____	X	X	?	R	Appalachian Snaketail [W]					<i>Ophiogomphus mainensis</i> _____	R/U	R(L)		
Regal Darner [SR]					Maine Snaketail [SR]					<i>Ophiogomphus rupinsulensis</i> _____	X			
<i>Epiaeschna heros</i> _____	R/U	U/C	C	C	Rusty Snaketail [SR]					<i>Phanogomphus australis</i> _____			R(L)	R(L)
Swamp Darner					Clearlake Clubtail [SR]					<i>Phanogomphus borealis</i> _____	H			
<i>Gomphaeschna antilope</i> _____	X	R	U	R/U	Beaverpond Clubtail [SR]					<i>Phanogomphus cavillaris</i> _____				R(L)
Taper-tailed Darner					Sandhill Clubtail [SR]					<i>Phanogomphus descriptus</i> _____	R			
<i>Gomphaeschna furcillata</i> _____		R	U	U/C	Harpoon Clubtail [SR]					<i>Phanogomphus diminutus</i> _____	?	U/C	R(L)	
Harlequin Darner					Diminutive Clubtail [W]					<i>Phanogomphus exilis</i> _____	C	C	C	C
<i>Nasiaeschna pentacantha</i> _____		R/U	R/U	U/C	Lancet Clubtail					<i>Phanogomphus lividus</i> _____	C	C	C	U/C
Cyrano Darner					Ashy Clubtail					<i>Phanogomphus quadricolor</i> _____	R(L)	R(L)		
<i>Triacanthagyna trifida</i> _____				H	Rapids Clubtail [SR]					<i>Progomphus bellei</i> _____			U(L)	
Phantom Darner [SR]					Belle's Sanddragon [SR FSC]					<i>Progomphus obscurus</i> _____	R/U	U/C	U/C	U/C
GOMPHIDAE - Clubtails														
<i>Aphylla williamsoni</i> _____		R(L)	?	R/U	Common Sanddragon					<i>Stenogomphurus consanguis</i> _____	?	H		
Two-striped Forceptail					Cherokee Clubtail [SR FSC]					<i>Stenogomphurus rogersi</i> _____	U	?		
<i>Arigomphus pallidus</i> _____				R(L)	Sable Clubtail [W]					<i>Stylogomphus albistylus</i> _____	U	R/U	X	
Gray-green Clubtail [SR]					Eastern Least Clubtail					<i>Stylogomphus sigmastylus</i> _____			H	
<i>Arigomphus villosipes</i> _____	U	R		R	Interior Least Clubtail [SR]					<i>Stylurus amnicola</i> _____	H	R	?	R/U
Unicorn Clubtail [W]					Riverine Clubtail [W]					<i>Stylurus ivae</i> _____			H	R
<i>Dromogomphus armatus</i> _____			U	R(L)	Shining Clubtail [SR]									
Southeastern Spinyleg [W]														
<i>Dromogomphus spinosus</i> _____	U	C	U	U										
Black-shouldered Spinyleg														
<i>Dromogomphus spoliatus</i> _____	X													
Flag-tailed Spinyleg [SR]														
<i>Erpetogomphus designatus</i> _____	R	R/U	?	R										
Eastern Ringtail														
<i>Gomphurus dilatatus</i> _____	X	R	?	R/U										
Blackwater Clubtail [W]														
<i>Gomphurus fraternus</i> _____		R(L)												
Midland Clubtail [SR]														
<i>Gomphurus hybridus</i> _____		R(L)	X	R/U										
Cocoa Clubtail [W]														
<i>Gomphurus lineatifrons</i> _____	R/U	R(L)												
Splendid Clubtail [SR]														
<i>Gomphurus septima</i> _____		U(L)	?	R(L)										
Septima's Clubtail [SR FSC]														
<i>Gomphurus vastus</i> _____	R/U	R/U	?	H										
Cobra Clubtail														

	M	P	S	C		M	P	S	C		M	P	S	C
<i>Somatochlora elongata</i> _____ R/U						<i>Perithemis tenera</i> _____ C C/A C C/A					<i>Argia tibialis</i> _____ U/C C/A C C			
Ski-tipped Emerald [SR]					Eastern Amberwing						Blue-tipped Dancer			
<i>Somatochlora filosa</i> _____ ? X R/U U/C					<i>Plathemis lydia</i> _____ A A A A						<i>Argia translata</i> _____ U/C U/C X/R X			
Fine-lined Emerald					Common Whitetail						Dusky Dancer			
<i>Somatochlora georgiana</i> _____ R(L) R R					<i>Sympetrum ambiguuum</i> _____ R U/C U U						<i>Chromagrion conditum</i> _____ U/C R/U			
Coppery Emerald [SR]					Blue-faced Meadowhawk						Aurora Damsel			
<i>Somatochlora linearis</i> _____ U/C U U/C					<i>Sympetrum corruptum</i> _____ X						<i>Enallagma aspersum</i> _____ C U R R			
Mocha Emerald					Variiegated Meadowhawk						Azure Bluet			
<i>Somatochlora provocans</i> _____ ? R R					<i>Sympetrum internum</i> _____ X						<i>Enallagma basidens</i> _____ U/C U/C R/U U			
Treetop Emerald [W]					Cherry-faced Meadowhawk [W]						Double-striped Bluet			
<i>Somatochlora tenebrosa</i> _____ R U R R(L)					<i>Sympetrum obtrusum</i> _____ R(L)						<i>Enallagma civile</i> _____ C C C C			
Clamp-tipped Emerald					White-faced Meadowhawk [SR]						Familial Bluet			
					<i>Sympetrum rubicundulum</i> _____ U/C R						<i>Enallagma concisum</i> _____ U U			
LIBELLULIDAE - Skimmers					Ruby Meadowhawk						Cherry Bluet			
<i>Brachymeria grivida</i> _____ X C*					<i>Sympetrum semicinctum</i> _____ R/U H						<i>Enallagma daeckii</i> _____ H R C U/C			
Four-spotted Pennant					Band-winged Meadowhawk						Attenuated Bluet			
<i>Celithemis amanda</i> _____ R(L) C U/C					<i>Sympetrum vicinum</i> _____ C U/C U/C U						<i>Enallagma davisii</i> _____ U/C R			
Amanda's Pennant					Autumn Meadowhawk						Sandhill Bluet			
<i>Celithemis bertha</i> _____ X R(L) U/C R/U					<i>Tramea calverti</i> _____ H R						<i>Enallagma divagans</i> _____ U/C U/C U/C U/C			
Red-veined Pennant					Striped Saddlebags						Turquoise Bluet			
<i>Celithemis elisa</i> _____ U/C C C C					<i>Tramea carolina</i> _____ U/C C C C/A						<i>Enallagma doubledayi</i> _____ R(L)R(L) U U/C			
Calico Pennant					Carolina Saddlebags						Atlantic Bluet			
<i>Celithemis eponina</i> _____ U/C C C C					<i>Tramea lacerata</i> _____ C C U/C C						<i>Enallagma dubium</i> _____ R(L) U R/U			
Halloween Pennant					Black Saddlebags						Burgundy Bluet			
<i>Celithemis fasciata</i> _____ U/C C C C					<i>Tramea onusta</i> _____ X X R						<i>Enallagma durum</i> _____ H U*			
Banded Pennant					Red Saddlebags						Big Bluet			
<i>Celithemis ornata</i> _____ ? R(L) C U/C											<i>Enallagma exsulans</i> _____ C U/C X R(L)			
Ornate Pennant					CALOPTERYGIDAE - Broad-winged Damsels						Stream Bluet			
<i>Celithemis verna</i> _____ X R/U U U					<i>Calopteryx amata</i> _____ R						<i>Enallagma geminatum</i> _____ U/C U/C U U/C			
Double-ringed Pennant					Superb Jewelwing [SR]						Skimming Bluet			
<i>Dythemis velox</i> _____ R U/C R R(L)					<i>Calopteryx angustipennis</i> _____ U R ? R(L)						<i>Enallagma hageni</i> _____ U/C X			
Swift Setwing					Appalachian Jewelwing						Hagen's Bluet			
<i>Erythemis simplicicollis</i> _____ A A A A					<i>Calopteryx dimidiata</i> _____ R U C U/C						<i>Enallagma minusculum</i> _____ R(L)			
Eastern Pondhawk					Sparkling Jewelwing						Little Bluet [W]			
<i>Erythrodiplax berenice</i> _____ C*					<i>Calopteryx maculata</i> _____ C/A C/A C C						<i>Enallagma pallidum</i> _____ R(L) R/U U			
Seaside Dragonlet					Ebony Jewelwing						Pale Bluet			
<i>Erythrodiplax minuscula</i> _____ R/U U C C					<i>Hetaerina americana</i> _____ C U U R(L)						<i>Enallagma signatum</i> _____ C C C C			
Little Blue Dragonlet					American Rubyspot						Orange Bluet			
<i>Ladona deplanata</i> _____ U C C/A C/A					<i>Hetaerina titia</i> _____ R U U U						<i>Enallagma sulcatum</i> _____ H			
Blue Corporal					Smoky Rubyspot						Golden Bluet [W]			
<i>Ladona julia</i> _____ X					LESTIDAE - Spreadwings						<i>Enallagma traviatum</i> _____ C U/C R/U R/U			
Chalk-fronted Corporal [SR]					<i>Archilestes grandis</i> _____ R/U R						Slender Bluet			
<i>Libellula auripennis</i> _____ R U C C					Great Spreadwing						<i>Enallagma vesperum</i> _____ R/U R R/U R/U			
Golden-winged Skimmer					<i>Lestes australis</i> _____ U/C U/C U U/C						Vesper Bluet			
<i>Libellula axilena</i> _____ R R/U U/C U/C					Southern Spreadwing						<i>Enallagma weewa</i> _____ R U U			
Bar-winged Skimmer					<i>Lestes congener</i> _____ X						Blackwater Bluet			
<i>Libellula cyanea</i> _____ C C U U/C					Spotted Spreadwing [SR]						<i>Ischnura hastata</i> _____ C C C/A C/A			
Spangled Skimmer					<i>Lestes eurinus</i> _____ U R						Citrine Forktail			
<i>Libellula flavida</i> _____ R R/U U/C R/U					Amber-winged Spreadwing [W]						<i>Ischnura kellicotti</i> _____ R R U/C R/U			
Yellow-sided Skimmer					<i>Lestes forcipatus</i> _____ X R H						Lilypad Forktail			
<i>Libellula incesta</i> _____ C/A A C/A A					Sweetflag Spreadwing [W]						<i>Ischnura posita</i> _____ A A C/A C/A			
Slaty Skimmer					<i>Lestes inaequalis</i> _____ R R/U R/U U						Fragile Forktail			
<i>Libellula luctuosa</i> _____ C/A C/A U U/C					Elegant Spreadwing						<i>Ischnura prognata</i> _____ R X R/U			
Widow Skimmer					<i>Lestes rectangularis</i> _____ C U R/U R/U						Furtive Forktail			
<i>Libellula needhami</i> _____ C*					Slender Spreadwing						<i>Ischnura ramburii</i> _____ H U U/C C/A			
Needham's Skimmer					<i>Lestes vidua</i> _____ R U(L)						Rambur's Forktail			
<i>Libellula pulchella</i> _____ U/C U R R					Carolina Spreadwing [SR]						<i>Ischnura verticalis</i> _____ C U			
Twelve-spotted Skimmer					<i>Lestes vigilax</i> _____ U/C U C C						Eastern Forktail			
<i>Libellula semifasciata</i> _____ U U U U/C					Swamp Spreadwing						<i>Nehalennia gracilis</i> _____ R X U/C R			
Painted Skimmer					COENAGRIONIDAE - Pond Damsels						Sphagnum Sprite			
<i>Libellula vibrans</i> _____ U C C C/A					<i>Amphiagrion saucium</i> _____ U/C R/U X X						<i>Nehalennia integricollis</i> _____ R U R/U			
Great Blue Skimmer					Eastern Red Damsel						Southern Sprite			
<i>Macrodiplax balteata</i> _____ U*					<i>Argia apicalis</i> _____ U/C C U U/C						<i>Telebasis byersi</i> _____ X R U			
Marl Pennant [W]					Blue-fronted Dancer						Duckweed Firetail			
<i>Nannothemis bella</i> _____ X U/C X					<i>Argia bipunctulata</i> _____ R U C R/U									
Elfin Skimmer [W]					Seepage Dancer									
<i>Orthemis ferruginea</i> _____ X X/R X R/U					<i>Argia fumipennis</i> _____ C/A C/A C/A C/A									
Roseate Skimmer					Variable Dancer									
<i>Pachydiplax longipennis</i> _____ A A A A					<i>Argia moesta</i> _____ C C/A C C									
Blue Dasher					Powdered Dancer									
<i>Pantala flavescens</i> _____ U/C C U/C C					<i>Argia sedula</i> _____ U/C C U/C U/C									
Wandering Glider					Blue-ringed Dancer									
<i>Pantala hymenaea</i> _____ R U U U/C														
Spot-winged Glider														

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