

## Avian Species Codes and Status – For OWCN/Wildlife Processing Unit

Bird species, species status, 4-letter codes, suggested federal band sizes, likelihood of each to be processed at wildlife processing centers, and the type of morgue box in which the corpse should be stored. *Species of federal or state special status (endangered, threatened, special concern) are to be placed in morgue boxes designated for special status carcasses. All other identified carcasses are to be placed in morgue boxes with no designation. Unidentified fragments or carcasses are to be placed in morgue boxes designated for unidentified carcasses.* This table is not exhaustive and is generalized for all of coastal California. You may encounter species not occurring here (e.g., landbirds); see the Bird Banding Lab website for appropriate federal band size and code (<http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/BBL/manual/bandsize.htm>). Birds are listed in alphabetical order.

Species	Code	Band	Likelihood	Morgue Box
Albatross, Black-footed	BFAL	7B	Rare	No Status
Albatross, Laysan	LAAL	7B	Rare	No Status
<b>Albatross, Short-tailed ***</b>	STAL	8	Extremely Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Alcid, Unidentified	ALCI	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Auklet, Cassin's	CAAU	3B-3A	Common	No Status
Auklet, Parakeet	PAAU	4	Rare	No Status
<b>Auklet, Rhinoceros *</b>	RHAU	6-5	Common	<b>Special Status</b>
Avocet, American	AMAV	4-4A <sup>o</sup>	Extremely Rare	No Status
Blackbird, Red-winged	RWBL	2	Rare	No Status
<b>Blackbird, Tricolored *</b>	TRBL	2	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
<b>Brant *</b>	BRAN	7A	Uncommon	<b>Special Status</b>
Bufflehead	BUFF	5	Rare	No Status
Canvasback	CANV	7A	Rare	No Status
Coot, American	AMCO	6-5	Rare	No Status
Cormorant, Brandt's	BRAC	8	Common	No Status
Cormorant, Double-crested	DCCO	8-7B	Uncommon	No Status
Cormorant, Pelagic	PECO	7A-7B	Common	No Status
Cormorant, Unidentified	CORM	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Curlew, Long-billed	LBCU	5-6	Rare	No Status
Dowitcher, Long-billed	LBDO	2	Rare	No Status
Dowitcher, Short-billed	SBDO	2	Rare	No Status
Dowitcher, Unidentified	DOWI	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
<b>Duck, Harlequin *</b>	HARD	5	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Duck, Ring-necked	RNDU	6	Rare	No Status
Duck, Ruddy	RUDU	6-7A	Uncommon	No Status
Duck, Unidentified	DUCK	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Dunlin	DUNL	1B-1A	Rare	No Status
Egret, Great	GREG	7A-7B	Extremely Rare	No Status
Egret, Snowy	SNEG	6	Extremely Rare	No Status
Fulmar, Northern	NOFU	6	Common	No Status
Gadwall	GADW	6	Rare	No Status
Godwit, Marbled	MAGO	4	Rare	No Status
<b>Goldeneye, Barrow's *</b>	BAGO	7A	Extremely Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Goldeneye, Common	COGO	6	Rare	No Status
Goldeneye, Unidentified	GOLD	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Goose, Canada	CAGO	8	Rare	No Status
Goose, Greater White-fronted	GWFG	7B-8	Extremely Rare	No Status
Grebe, Clark's	CLGR	7A-B	Rare	No Status
Grebe, Eared	EAGR	5	Common	No Status
Grebe, Horned	HOGR	6-5	Common	No Status
Grebe, Pied-billed	PBGR	5-6	Rare	No Status
Grebe, Red-necked	RNGR	7A	Rare	No Status
Grebe, Western	WEGR	7A-B	Very Common	No Status
Grebe, Western/Clark's	WCGR	7A-B	n/a	Unidentified
Grebe, Eared/Horned	EHGR	5-6	n/a	Unidentified
Grebe, Unidentified	GREB	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Guillemot, Pigeon	PIGU	4A	Common	No Status
Gull, Bonaparte's	BOGU	3-3B	Uncommon	No Status

Gull, California	CAGU	5	Common	No Status
Gull, Glaucous	GLGU	7A	Rare	No Status
Gull, Glaucous-winged	GWGU	7A	Common	No Status
Gull, Heerman's	HEEG	4A	Common	No Status
Gull, Herring	HERG	6	Common	No Status
Gull, Mew	MEGU	4A	Common	No Status
Gull, Ring-billed	RBGU	4A	Common	No Status
Gull, Sabine's	SAGU	3	Uncommon	No Status
Gull, Thayer's	THGU	6	Common	No Status
Gull, Western	WEGU	6	Very Common	No Status
Gull, Western x Glaucous-winged	HYGU	6-7A	Common	No Status
Gull, Unidentified	GULL	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Heron, Black-crowned Night	BCNH	7A	Rare	No Status
Heron, Great Blue	GBHE	7B	Extremely Rare	No Status
Heron/Egret, Unidentified	HERO	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Jaeger, Long-tailed	LTJA	4A-4	Rare	No Status
Jaeger, Parasitic	PAJA	4A	Rare	No Status
Jaeger, Pomarine	POJA	5	Rare	No Status
Killdeer	KILL	2	Uncommon	No Status
Kingfisher, Belted	BEKI	3B-3A	Uncommon	No Status
Kittiwake, Black-legged	BLKI	4A	Common	No Status
Loon, Arctic	ARLO	7B	Uncommon	No Status
<b>Loon, Common *</b>	COLO	8	Common	<b>Special Status</b>
Loon, Pacific	PALO	7B	Common	No Status
Loon, Red-throated	RTLO	7B	Common	No Status
Loon, Yellow-billed	YBLO	9	Extremely Rare	No Status
Loon, Unidentified	LOON	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Mallard	MALL	7A	Rare	No Status
Merganser, Common	COME	7A	Rare	No Status
Merganser, Hooded	HOME	5-6	Rare	No Status
Merganser, Red-breasted	RBME	6-5	Rare	No Status
Murre, Common	COMU	6M	Very common	No Status
Murrelet, Ancient	ANMU	3B-3	Rare	No Status
Murrelet, Craveri's	CRMU	2	Rare	No Status
<b>Murrelet, Marbled ***</b>	MAMU	3B-3	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
<b>Murrelet, Xantus' *</b>	XAMU	2	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Oystercatcher, Black	BLOY	5	Rare	No Status
Peep, Unidentified "Peep" shorebird	PEEP			Unidentified
<b>Pelican, American White *</b>	AWPE	9-9C °	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
<b>Pelican, Brown ***</b>	BRPE	8-9	Common	<b>Special Status</b>
Petrel, Mottled	MOPE	3	Extremely Rare	No Status
Phalarope, Red	REPH	1A	Common	No Status
Phalarope, Red-necked	RNPH	1B	Common	No Status
Phalarope, Wilson's	WIPH	1A-2	Uncommon	No Status
Pintail, Northern	NOPI	6	Rare	No Status
Plover, Black-bellied	BBPL	3B	Rare	No Status
Plover, Semipalmated	SEPL	1A-1B	Rare	No Status
<b>Plover, Snowy **</b>	SNPL	1B,1P	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Plover, Unidentified	PLOV	n/a	n/a	Unidentified
Puffin, Horned	HOPU	5	Rare	No Status
<b>Puffin, Tufted *</b>	TUPU	6-5	Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
<b>Rail, Black **</b>	BLRA	5	Extremely Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
<b>Rail, Clapper ***</b>	CLRA	5	Extremely Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Rail, Virginia	VIRA	2-3°	Extremely Rare	No Status
<b>Redhead *</b>	REDH	6	Extremely Rare	<b>Special Status</b>
Sanderling	SAND	1A	Rare	No Status
Sandpiper, Least	LESA	1-1B	Rare	No Status
Sandpiper, Pectoral	PESA	1A	Extremely Rare	No Status
Sandpiper, Spotted	SPSA	1B-1A	Rare	No Status
Sandpiper, Western	WESA	1B	Rare	No Status

