

	T	Permanent <i>territory</i> presumed through defense (chasing of other birds, or song at the same location on at least two occasions a week or more apart)
	C	<i>Courtship</i> behavior or <i>copulation</i>
	N	Visiting probable <i>nest site</i>
	A	<i>Agitated</i> behavior or anxiety calls from adult
	B	Nest <i>building</i> by wrens or excavation of holes by woodpeckers
CONFIRMED	NB	Nest <i>building</i> by all except woodpeckers and wrens
	PE	<i>Physiological evidence</i> of breeding (vascularized, edematous incubation [brood] patch or egg in oviduct) based on bird in hand
	DD	<i>Distraction display</i> or injury feigning
	UN	<i>Used nest</i> or eggshells found. Caution: These must be carefully identified if they are to be accepted
	FL	Recently <i>fledged young</i> (of altricial species) incapable of sustained flight ² or downy young (of precocial species) restricted to the natal area by dependence on adults or limited mobility
	ON	<i>Occupied nest</i> : adults entering or leaving nest site in circumstances indicating occupied nest (includes high nest or nest holes, the contents of which cannot be seen), or adult incubating or brooding
	AY	<i>Attending young</i> : adult carrying fecal sac or food for young, or feeding ² recently fledged young
	NE	Nest with <i>egg(s)</i> ²
	NY	Nest with <i>young</i> seen or heard ²

² The presence of cowbird eggs or young is confirmation of both cowbird and host species.

Caution must be used in approaching nest sites to minimize disturbance: most confirmations can be accomplished without locating actual nests.

APPENDIX E: Orders and Families of Birds Confirmed as Breeders in Vermont

Gaviiformes	30-31
Loons—Family Gaviidae	30-31
Podicipediformes	32-33
Grebes—Family Podicipedidae	32-33
Ciconiiformes	34-45
Hérons—Family Ardeidae	34-45
Anseriformes	46-69
Geese and Ducks—Family Anatidae	46-69
Falconiformes	70-87
Vultures—Family Cathartidae	70-71
Hawks—Family Accipitridae	72-85
Falcons—Family Falconidae	86-87
Galliformes	88-95
Grouse and Pheasants—Family Phasianidae	88-95

Gruiformes	96-103
Rails and Coots—Family Rallidae	96-103
Charadriiformes	104-21
Plovers—Family Charadriidae	104-5
Sandpipers—Family Scolopacidae	106-13
Gulls and Terns—Family Laridae	114-21
Columbiformes	122-25
Doves—Family Columbidae	122-25
Cuculiformes	126-29
Cuckoos—Family Cuculidae	126-29
Strigiformes	130-43
Barn-Owls—Family Tytonidae	130-31
Owls—Family Strigidae	132-43
Caprimulgiformes	144-47
Goatsuckers—Family Caprimulgidae	144-47
Apodiformes	148-51
Swifts—Family Apodidae	148-49
Hummingbirds—Family Trochilidae	150-51
Coraciiformes	152-53
Kingfishers—Family Alcedinidae	152-53
Piciformes	154-69
Woodpeckers—Family Picidae	154-69
Passeriformes	170-387
Flycatchers—Family Tyrannidae	170-87
Larks—Family Alaudidae	188-89
Swallows—Family Hirundinidae	190-201
Jays and Crows—Family Corvidae	202-9
Chickadees—Family Paridae	210-15
Nuthatches—Family Sittidae	216-19
Creepers—Family Certhiidae	220-21
Wrens—Family Troglodytidae	222-31
Kinglets, Gnatcatchers, and Thrushes—Family Muscicapidae	232-51
Mimic Thrushes—Family Mimidae	252-57
Waxwings—Family Bombycillidae	258-59
Shrikes—Family Laniidae	260-61
Starling—Family Sturnidae	262-63
Vireos—Family Vireonidae	264-73
Warblers, Tanagers, Sparrows, and Orioles—Family Emberizidae ..	274-373
Finches—Family Fringillidae	374-85
Old World Sparrows—Family Passeridae	386-87