

ILLINOIS PROTECTED SPECIES

UAPPEAL

PROTECTED SPECIES LIST (1/1/15)

Game Birds:

- Ruffed and sharp-tailed grouse
- Northern bobwhite
- Gray partridge
- Chukar
- Ring-necked pheasant
- Greater prairie chicken
- Wild turkey

Migratory Game Birds:

- Waterfowl (Anatidae) - brant, ducks, geese, and swans
- Wild families Rallidae, Scolopacidae, Columbidae, and Corvidae legal to hunt

Non-Game Birds:

- Loons (Gaviidae)
- Grebes (Podicipedidae)
- Pelicans (Pelecanidae)
- Gannets (Sulidae)
- Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)
- Anhingas (Anhingidae)
- Frigatebirds (Fregatidae)
- Herons, bitterns and egrets (Ardeidae)
- Ibises and spoonbills (Threskiornithidae)
- Storks (Ciconiidae)
- Vultures (Cathartidae)
- Kites, hawks, ospreys, and eagles (Accipitridae)
- Falcons, merlins, and kestrels (Falconidae)
- Rails, gallinules, and moorhens (Rallidae) – illegal to take
- Cranes (Gruidae)
- Shorebirds (Charadriidae, Scolopacidae, and Recurvirostridae) – illegal to hunt
- Gulls, terns, jaegers, skimmers, and kittiwakes (Laridae)
- Dovekies and murrelets (Alcidae)
- Doves and pigeons (Columbidae) – illegal to hunt
- Cuckoos and anis (Cuculidae)
- Owls (Tytonidae and Strigidae)
- Whip-poor-wills, chuck-will's-widows, and nighthawks (Caprimulgidae)

- Swifts (Apodidae)
- Hummingbirds (Trochilidae)
- Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)
- Woodpeckers, flickers, and sapsuckers (Picidae)
- Kingbirds, pewees, phoebes, and flycatchers (Tyrannidae)
- Shrikes (Laniidae)
- Vireos (Vireonidae)
- Magpies, ravens, and jays (Corvidae)
- Larks (Alaudidae)
- Swallows and martins (Hirundinidae)
- Chickadees and titmice (Paridae)
- Nuthatches (Sittidae)
- Creepers (Certhiidae)
- Wrens (Troglodytidae)
- Kinglets (Regulidae)
- Gnatcatchers (Sylviidae)
- Robins, bluebirds, solitaires, veerys, and thrushes (Turdidae)
- Mockingbirds, catbirds, and thrashers (Mimidae)
- Pipits (Motacillidae)
- Waxwings (Bombycillidae)
- Warblers, parulas, redstarts, ovenbirds, waterthrushes, yellowthroats, and chats (Parulidae)
- Tanagers (Thraupidae)
- Towhees, longspurs, sparrows, buntings, and juncos (Emberizidae)
- Dickcissels, cardinals, buntings, and grosbeaks (Cardinalidae)
- Blackbirds, meadowlarks, bobolinks, grackles, cowbirds, and orioles (Icteridae)
- Grosbeaks, finches, crossbills, redpolls, and siskins (Fringillidae)

Game Mammals:

- Eastern cottontail and swamp rabbit
- white-tailed deer
- Fox and gray squirrel
- Woodchuck

Fur-bearing Mammals:

- Muskrat
- American beaver
- Raccoon
- Virginia opossum
- Least and long-tailed weasels
- Mink
- North American river otter
- Striped skunk
- American badger
- Red and gray fox
- Coyote

- Bobcat

Other Protected Mammals:

- Southern flying squirrel
- Red squirrel
- Eastern woodrat
- Golden mouse
- Marsh rice rat
- Franklin's ground squirrel
- Bats (Vespertilionidae)
- Gray wolf
- American black bear
- Cougar