

# Maryland Ornithological Society



## MD/DCRC Database Status & Decision Definitions

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<u>Decision/Status</u>	<u>Definition</u>
<b>S&amp;R</b>	Records from the committee's baseline document: Stewart & Robbins, The Birds of Maryland and the District of Columbia, 1958.
<b>Accepted</b>	Reports accepted by the committee.
<b>Accepted-Group</b>	Reports accepted only as to a species group or genus--where all other species of this group are reviewable at the observed location.
<b>Accepted-Form</b>	Reports accepted as an unusual subspecies of form
<b>ID OK/?? Origin</b>	Reports accepted for the species/group reported, however, a majority of the committee questioned whether the bird was a "natural" vagrant or a "wild" bird.
<b>ID OK/Exotic Origin</b>	Reports accepted for the species/group reported, however, a majority of the committee felt the bird was of exotic (i.e., captive) origin.
<b>Not Accepted</b>	Reports not accepted by the committee.
<b>Circulating</b>	Reports currently in circulation and under review by the committee.
<b>Recirculate</b>	Reports where no committee decision was reached during the latest circulation. The report will be circulated again.
<b>Ready</b>	Reports ready for circulation. All relevant reports, or a sufficient number of reports, have been submitted.
<b>Reviewable</b>	Reports of a species/location that meets the committee's Review List criteria. Additional observer data is believed to be outstanding.
<b>USNM</b>	Reports of specimens in the US Museum of Natural History that have not otherwise been published. Specimens are to be verified and reviewed by the committee.
<b>Hold</b>	Reports where review of this species or genus/group has been suspended pending resolution of taxonomy or field identification issues.
<b>Unreviewable</b>	Reports with insufficient descriptive identification details to permit a review by the committee. Typical for many older published sight records.
<b>Report</b>	Reports submitted indirectly to the committee (e.g., via NA Birds, Voice of the Naturalist, etc.). Observer concurrence is required prior to committee review.
<b>Non-Review Species</b>	Reports submitted for a species/location that does not fall within the committee's Review List criteria.
<b>Reopened</b>	Reports reopened for consideration by the committee. Reopened reports are "removed" from the committee's database statistics and replaced by the reopened report.
<b>Research</b>	Report previously published - investigation in process to determine if documentation exists
<b>DCRC</b>	Reports from the defunct DC Records Committee files - being investigated
<b>Withdrawn</b>	Reports withdrawn by the original observer(s).