

Banding Visit Record

Site: _____ **Date:** _____ **Banders:** _____

Species	Band Number	Color combo (L,R)	Sex	Weight (grams)	Comments

Report your resightings of banded birds by phone, email, regular mail, or through the Neighborhood Nestwatch website. Website reports are preferred. By early September, the Neighborhood Nestwatch website will be updated to include “your” birds. To log into data entry pages, your username will be your last name (unless otherwise specified) and your password will be your email address. Reports of resightings are only needed once per year beginning after the year a bird was banded. If you wish to submit more resightings, a few per year would be fine. Have fun!!

Some re-sightings tips are found on the other side of this sheet.



Resighting Tips

Being able to re-sight a banded bird within or between years provides critical scientific knowledge to meet the goals of Nestwatch. We realize that it can be hard enough to locate a bird that is right in front of you far more to identify it by its bands. But if there is any tool a birdwatcher needs, it's patience. Patience, along with a good pair of binoculars, can yield exciting observations.

Be sure to review their color band combinations before you try to re-sight the banded birds in your yard,. Try to visualize what those bands might look like on the bird. Remember that the color combinations recorded on your data sheets are in order from the bird's left leg to its right leg when the bird is facing away from you. This means that the combination will appear backwards if the bird is facing you.

If you are having trouble determining the entire combination, chances are you only have to catch a glimpse of one of the three bands because we probably would not have banded many individuals of one species in your yard. If we do band multiple individuals of the same species, we try to give each individual a completely different color combination to help distinguish it from other banded individuals.

Try to keep the bird in the view of your binoculars for as long as possible and avoid being directly beneath or behind it.

Remember, be patient!

BAND COLOR KEY

X= metal
B= Blue
G= Green

K= Black
M= Purple
O= Orange

P= Pink
R= Red
W= White
Y= Yellow