

Field Checklist of Dragonflies and Damselflies of Alberta, Montana, and Wyoming

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Anisoptera — Dragonflies

Aeshnidae — Darners

- _____ *Aeshna canadensis*, Canada Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna constricta*, Lance-tipped Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna eremita*, Lake Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna interrupta*, Variable Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna juncea*, Sedge Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna palmata*, Paddle-tailed Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna septentrionalis*, Azure Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna sitchensis*, Zigzag Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna subarctica*, Subarctic Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna tuberculifera*, Black-tipped Darner
 - _____ *Aeshna umbrosa*, Shadow Darner
 - _____ *Anax junius*, Common Green Darner
 - _____ *Rhionaeschna californica*, California Darner
 - _____ *Rhionaeschna multicolor*, Blue-eyed Darner

Gomphidae — Clubtails

- *Arigomphus cornutus*, Horned Clubtail
 - *Erpetogomphus designatus*, Eastern Ringtail
 - *Gomphurus externus*, Plains Clubtail
 - *Ophiogomphus colubrinus*, Boreal Snaketail
 - *Ophiogomphus occidentis*, Sinuous Snaketail
 - *Ophiogomphus severus*, Pale Snaketail
 - *Phanogomphus graslinellus*, Pronghorn Clubtail
 - *Stylurus intricatus*, Brimstone Clubtail
 - *Stylurus olivaceus*, Olive Clubtail

Cordulegastridae — Spiketails

- _____ *Cordulegaster dorsalis*, Pacific Spiketail

Macromiidae — Cruisers

- Macromia pacifica, Guilded River Cruiser

Corduliidae — Emeralds

- _____ *Cordulia shurtleffi*, American Emerald
 - _____ *Epitheca petechialis*, Dot-winged Baskettail
 - _____ *Epitheca spinigera*, Spiny Baskettail
 - _____ *Somatochlora albicincta*, Ringed Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora cingulata*, Lake Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora ensigera*, Plains Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora forcipata*, Forcipate Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora franklini*, Delicate Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora hudsonica*, Hudsonian Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora kennedyi*, Kennedy's Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora minor*, Ocellated Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora semicircularis*, Mountain Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora septentrionalis*, Muskeg Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora walshii*, Brush-tipped Emerald
 - _____ *Somatochlora whitehousei*, Whitehouse's Emerald

Libellulidae — Skimmers

- _____ *Erythemis collocata*, Western Pondhawk
 - _____ *Ladona julia*, Chalk-fronted Corporal
 - _____ *Leucorrhinia borealis*, Boreal Whiteface
 - _____ *Leucorrhinia glacialis*, Crimson-ringed Whiteface
 - _____ *Leucorrhinia hudsonica*, Hudsonian Whiteface
 - _____ *Leucorrhinia intacta*, Dot-tailed Whiteface
 - _____ *Leucorrhinia proxima*, Belted Whiteface
 - _____ *Libellula forensis*, Eight-spotted Skimmer
 - _____ *Libellula luctuosa*, Widow Skimmer

A	M	W	Libellulidae	<i>continued...</i>	A	M	W
•	•	•	_____ <i>Libellula pulchella</i> , Twelve-spotted Skimmer	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i> , Four-spotted Skimmer	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Libellula saturata</i> , Flame Skimmer	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Pantala flavescens</i> , Wandering Glider	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Plathemis lydia</i> , Common Whitetail	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Plathemis subornata</i> , Desert Whitetail	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum corruptum</i> , Variegated Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum costiferum</i> , Saffron-winged Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum danae</i> , Black Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum internum</i> , Cherry-faced Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum madidum</i> , Red-veined Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum obtrusum</i> , White-faced Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum pallipes</i> , Striped Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum rubicundulum</i> , Ruby Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum semicinctum</i> , Band-winged Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Sympetrum vicinum</i> , Autumn Meadowhawk	•	•	•	•
A	M	W	Zygoptera — Damselflies		A	M	W
•	•	•	Calopterygidae — Broad-winged Damsels		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Calopteryx aequabilis</i> , River Jewelwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Calopteryx maculata</i> , Ebony Jewelwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Hetaerina americana</i> , American Rubyspot		•	•	•
A	M	W	Lestidae — Spreadwings		A	M	W
•	•	•	_____ <i>Archilestes grandis</i> , Great Spreadwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Lestes congener</i> , Spotted Spreadwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Lestes disjunctus</i> , Northern Spreadwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Lestes dryas</i> , Emerald Spreadwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Lestes forcipatus</i> , Sweetflag Spreadwing		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Lestes unguiculatus</i> , Lyre-tipped Spreadwing		•	•	•
A	M	W	Coenagrionidae — Pond Damsels		A	M	W
•	•	•	_____ <i>Amphiagrion abbreviatum</i> , Western Red Damsel		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia alberta</i> , Paiute Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia apicalis</i> , Blue-fronted Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia emma</i> , Emma's Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia fumipennis</i> , Variable Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia immunda</i> , Kiowa Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia moesta</i> , Powdered Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Argia vivida</i> , Vivid Dancer		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Coenagrion angulatum</i> , Prairie Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Coenagrion interrogatum</i> , Subarctic Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Coenagrion resolutum</i> , Taiga Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma anna</i> , River Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma annexum</i> , Northern Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma antennatum</i> , Rainbow Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma aspersum</i> , Azure Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma boreale</i> , Boreal Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma carunculatum</i> , Tule Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma civile</i> , Familiar Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma clausum</i> , Alkali Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma ebrium</i> , Marsh Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma hageni</i> , Hagen's Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Enallagma praevarum</i> , Arroyo Bluet		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Ischnura cervula</i> , Pacific Forktail		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Ischnura damula</i> , Plains Forktail		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Ischnura perparva</i> , Western Forktail		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Ischnura verticalis</i> , Eastern Forktail		•	•	•
•	•	•	_____ <i>Nehalennia irene</i> , Sedge Sprite		•	•	•

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Dragonflies — Anisoptera

	A	M	W
Baskettail, Dot-winged (<i>Epitheca petechialis</i>)		•	
Baskettail, Spiny (<i>Epitheca spinigera</i>)	•	•	
Clubtail, Brimstone (<i>Stylurus intricatus</i>)	•	•	•
Clubtail, Horned (<i>Arigomphus cornutus</i>)	•	•	
Clubtail, Olive (<i>Stylurus olivaceus</i>)	•		
Clubtail, Plains (<i>Gomphurus externus</i>)	•	•	
Clubtail, Pronghorn (<i>Phanogomphus graslinellus</i>)	•	•	•
Corporal, Chalk-fronted (<i>Ladona julia</i>)	•	•	
Cruiser, Guilded (<i>Macromia pacifica</i>)	•		
Darner, Azure (<i>Aeshna septentrionalis</i>)	•		
Darner, Black-tipped (<i>Aeshna tuberculifera</i>)	•	•	
Darner, Blue-eyed (<i>Rhionaeschna multicolor</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, California (<i>Rhionaeschna californica</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Canada (<i>Aeshna canadensis</i>)	•	•	
Darner, Common Green (<i>Anax junius</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Lake (<i>Aeshna eremita</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Lance-tipped (<i>Aeshna constricta</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Paddle-tailed (<i>Aeshna palmata</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Variable (<i>Aeshna interrupta</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Sedge (<i>Aeshna juncea</i>)	•	•	•
Darner, Subarctic (<i>Aeshna subarctica</i>)	•	•	
Darner, Shadow (<i>Aeshna umbrosa</i>)	•	•	
Darner, Zigzag (<i>Aeshna sitchensis</i>)	•	•	•
Emerald, American (<i>Cordulia shurtleffii</i>)	•	•	•
Emerald, Brush-tipped (<i>Somatochlora walshii</i>)	•	•	
Emerald, Delicate (<i>Somatochlora franklini</i>)	•		
Emerald, Forcipate (<i>Somatochlora forcipata</i>)	•		
Emerald, Hudsonian (<i>Somatochlora hudsonica</i>)	•	•	•
Emerald, Kennedy's (<i>Somatochlora kennedyi</i>)	•		
Emerald, Lake (<i>Somatochlora cingulata</i>)	•	•	
Emerald, Mountain (<i>Somatochlora semicircularis</i>)	•	•	•
Emerald, Muskeg (<i>Somatochlora septentrionalis</i>)	•		
Emerald, Ocellated (<i>Somatochlora minor</i>)	•	•	•
Emerald, Plains (<i>Somatochlora ensigera</i>)	•	•	
Emerald, Ringed (<i>Somatochlora albicincta</i>)	•	•	
Emerald, Whitehouse's (<i>Somatochlora whitehousei</i>)	•	•	
Glider, Wandering (<i>Pantala flavescens</i>)	•	•	
Meadowhawk, Autumn (<i>Sympetrum vicinum</i>)	•		
Meadowhawk, Band-winged (<i>Sympetrum semicinctum</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, Black (<i>Sympetrum danae</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, Cherry-faced (<i>Sympetrum internum</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, Red-veined (<i>Sympetrum madidum</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, Ruby (<i>Sympetrum rubicundulum</i>)	•	•	
Meadowhawk, Saffron-winged (<i>Sympetrum costiferum</i>)	•	•	
Meadowhawk, Striped (<i>Sympetrum pallipes</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, Variegated (<i>Sympetrum corruptum</i>)	•	•	•
Meadowhawk, White-faced (<i>Sympetrum obtrusum</i>)	•	•	•
Pondhawk, Western (<i>Erythemis collocata</i>)	•	•	
Ringtail, Eastern (<i>Erpetogomphus designatus</i>)	•		
Skimmer, Eight-spotted (<i>Libellula forensis</i>)	•	•	
Skimmer, Flame (<i>Libellula saturata</i>)	•	•	

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	A	M	W
Skimmer, Four-spotted (<i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i>)	•	•	•
Skimmer, Twelve-spotted (<i>Libellula pulchella</i>)	•	•	•
Skimmer, Widow (<i>Libellula luctuosa</i>)	•	•	•
Snaketail, Boreal (<i>Ophiogomphus colubrinus</i>)	•		
Snaketail, Pale (<i>Ophiogomphus severus</i>)	•	•	•
Snaketail, Sinuous (<i>Ophiogomphus occidentalis</i>)	•		
Spiketail, Pacific (<i>Cordulegaster dorsalis</i>)	•		
Whiteface, Belted (<i>Leucorrhinia proxima</i>)	•	•	•
Whiteface, Boreal (<i>Leucorrhinia borealis</i>)	•	•	•
Whiteface, Crimson-ringed (<i>Leucorrhinia glacialis</i>)	•	•	•
Whiteface, Dot-tailed (<i>Leucorrhinia intacta</i>)	•	•	•
Whiteface, Hudsonian (<i>Leucorrhinia hudsonica</i>)	•	•	•
Whitetail, Common (<i>Plathemis lydia</i>)	•	•	
Whitetail, Desert (<i>Plathemis subornata</i>)	•		

Damselflies — Zygoptera

	A	M	W
Bluet, Alkali (<i>Enallagma clausum</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Arroyo (<i>Enallagma praeveratum</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, Azure (<i>Enallagma aspersum</i>)	•		
Bluet, Boreal (<i>Enallagma boreale</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Familiar (<i>Enallagma civile</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, Hagen's (<i>Enallagma hageni</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Marsh (<i>Enallagma ebrium</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Northern (<i>Enallagma annexum</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Prairie (<i>Coenagrion angulatum</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, Rainbow (<i>Enallagma antennatum</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, River (<i>Enallagma anna</i>)	•	•	•
Bluet, Subarctic (<i>Coenagrion interrogatum</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, Taiga (<i>Coenagrion resolutum</i>)	•	•	
Bluet, Tule (<i>Enallagma carunculatum</i>)	•	•	•
Damsel, Western Red (<i>Amphiagrion abbreviatum</i>)	•	•	•
Dancer, Blue-fronted (<i>Argia apicalis</i>)	•	•	
Dancer, Emma's (<i>Argia emma</i>)	•		
Dancer, Kiowa (<i>Argia immunda</i>)	•		
Dancer, Paiute (<i>Argia alberta</i>)	•		
Dancer, Powdered (<i>Argia moesta</i>)	•		
Dancer, Variable (<i>Argia fumipennis</i>)	•		
Dancer, Vivid (<i>Argia vivida</i>)	•	•	•
Forktail, Eastern (<i>Ischnura verticalis</i>)	•		
Forktail, Pacific (<i>Ischnura cervula</i>)	•	•	
Forktail, Plains (<i>Ischnura damula</i>)	•	•	
Forktail, Western (<i>Ischnura perparva</i>)	•	•	
Jewelwing, Ebony (<i>Calopteryx maculata</i>)	•		
Jewelwing, River (<i>Calopteryx aequabilis</i>)	•	•	•
Rubyspot, American (<i>Hetaerina americana</i>)	•		
Spreadwing, Emerald, (<i>Lestes dryas</i>)	•	•	•
Spreadwing, Great (<i>Archilestes grandis</i>)	•		
Spreadwing, Lyre-tipped (<i>Lestes unguiculatus</i>)	•	•	•
Spreadwing, Northern (<i>Lestes disjunctus</i>)	•	•	•
Spreadwing, Spotted (<i>Lestes congener</i>)	•	•	•
Spreadwing, Sweetflag (<i>Lestes forcipatus</i>)	•	•	•
Sprite, Sedge (<i>Nehalennia irene</i>)	•	•	•