

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

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## Anisoptera — Dragonflies

### Aeshnidae — Darners

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

### Gomphidae — Clubtails

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Arigomphus cornutus</i> , Horned Clubtail	•	•	
_____ <i>Erypetogomphus designatus</i> , Eastern Ringtail	•		
_____ <i>Gomphus externus</i> , Plains Clubtail	•	•	•
_____ <i>Gomphus graslinellus</i> , Pronghorn Clubtail	•	•	•
_____ <i>Ophiogomphus colubrinus</i> , Boreal Snaketail	•		
_____ <i>Ophiogomphus occidentis</i> , Sinuous Snaketail	•		
_____ <i>Ophiogomphus severus</i> , Pale Snaketail	•	•	•
_____ <i>Stylurus intricatus</i> , Brimstone Clubtail	•	•	

### Cordulegastridae — Spiketails

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Cordulegaster dorsalis</i> , Pacific Spiketail	•		

### Macromiidae — Cruisers

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Macromia illinoensis</i> , Swift River Cruiser	•		
_____ <i>Macromia pacifica</i> , Guilded River Cruiser	•		

### Corduliidae — Emeralds

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Cordulia shurtleffi</i> , American Emerald	•	•	•
_____ <i>Epithea petechialis</i> , Dot-winged Baskettail	•		•
_____ <i>Epithea spinigera</i> , Spiny Baskettail	•	•	
_____ <i>Somatochlora albicincta</i> , Ringed Emerald	•	•	
_____ <i>Somatochlora cingulata</i> , Lake Emerald	•	•	
_____ <i>Somatochlora ensigera</i> , Plains Emerald	•	•	
_____ <i>Somatochlora forcipata</i> , Forcipate Emerald	•		
_____ <i>Somatochlora franklini</i> , Delicate Emerald	•		
_____ <i>Somatochlora hudsonica</i> , Hudsonian Emerald	•	•	•
_____ <i>Somatochlora kennedyi</i> , Kennedy's Emerald	•		
_____ <i>Somatochlora minor</i> , Ocellated Emerald	•	•	•
_____ <i>Somatochlora semicircularis</i> , Mountain Emerald	•	•	•
_____ <i>Somatochlora septentrionalis</i> , Muskeg Emerald	•		
_____ <i>Somatochlora walshii</i> , Brush-tipped Emerald	•	•	
_____ <i>Somatochlora whitehousei</i> , Whitehouse's Emerald	•	•	

### Libellulidae — Skimmers

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Erythemis collocata</i> , Western Pondhawk	•	•	
_____ <i>Ladona julia</i> , Chalk-fronted Corporal	•	•	
_____ <i>Leucorrhinia borealis</i> , Boreal Whiteface	•	•	•
_____ <i>Leucorrhinia glacialis</i> , Crimson-ringed Whiteface	•	•	•
_____ <i>Leucorrhinia hudsonica</i> , Hudsonian Whiteface	•	•	•
_____ <i>Leucorrhinia intacta</i> , Dot-tailed Whiteface	•	•	•
_____ <i>Leucorrhinia proxima</i> , Belted Whiteface	•	•	•
_____ <i>Libellula forensis</i> , Eight-spotted Skimmer	•	•	
_____ <i>Libellula pulchella</i> , Twelve-spotted Skimmer	•	•	•

### Libellulidae continued . . .

	A	M	W
_____ <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			•

## Zygoptera — Damselflies

### Calopterygidae — Broad-winged Damsels

	A	M	W
_____ <i>Calopteryx aquabilis</i> , River Jewelwing	•	•	•
_____ <i>Calopteryx maculata</i> , Ebony Jewelwing			•
_____ <i>Hetaerina americana</i> , American Rubyspot			•

### 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	•	•	•

### 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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	A	M	W
_____ Baskettail, Dot-winged ( <i>Epiheca petechialis</i> )			•
_____ Baskettail, Spiny ( <i>Epiheca spinigera</i> )	•	•	
_____ Clubtail, Brimstone ( <i>Stylurus intricatus</i> )	•	•	
_____ Clubtail, Horned ( <i>Argiomphus cornutus</i> )		•	•
_____ Clubtail, Plains ( <i>Gomphus externus</i> )		•	•
_____ Clubtail, Pronghorn ( <i>Gomphus graslinellus</i> )	•	•	•
_____ Corporal, Chalk-fronted ( <i>Ladona julia</i> )	•	•	
_____ Cruiser, Guilded ( <i>Macromia pacifica</i> )		•	
_____ Cruiser, Swift River ( <i>Macromia illinoensis</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 shurtleffi</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 kenedyi</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> )	•	•	

## Dragonflies *continued* . . .

	A	M	W
_____ Skimmer, Four-spotted ( <i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i> )	•	•	•
_____ Skimmer, Twelve-spotted ( <i>Libellula pulchella</i> )	•	•	•
_____ Snaketail, Boreal ( <i>Ophiogomphus colubrinus</i> )	•		
_____ Snaketail, Pale ( <i>Ophiogomphus severus</i> )	•	•	•
_____ Snaketail, Sinuous ( <i>Ophiogomphus occidentis</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 praevarum</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> )	•	•	•