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## Breeding Status Codes

Non-breeding	
<b>F</b>	Flying over
<b>M</b>	Species observed but suspected to be still on <b>M</b> igration
<b>U</b>	Species observed but suspected to be s <b>U</b> mmerring non-breeder
Possible breeder	
<b>H</b>	Species observed in breeding season in suitable nesting <b>H</b> abitat
<b>S</b>	Singing male present (or breeding calls heard) in breeding season in suitable breeding habitat
Probable breeding	
<b>P</b>	Pair observed in suitable nesting habitat in breeding season
<b>T</b>	Permanent <b>T</b> erritory presumed through registration of territorial behaviour (song etc) on at least two different days a week or more part at the same place or many individuals on one day
<b>D</b>	Courtship and <b>D</b> isplay (judged to be in or near potential breeding habitat; be cautious with wildfowl)
<b>N</b>	Visiting probable <b>N</b> est site
<b>A</b>	<b>A</b> gitated behaviour or anxiety calls from adults, suggesting probable presence of nest or young nearby
<b>I</b>	Brood patch on adult examined in the hand, suggesting <b>I</b> ncubation
<b>B</b>	Nest <b>B</b> uilding or excavating nest-hole
Confirmed breeding	
<b>DD</b>	<b>D</b> istraction- <b>D</b> isplay or injury feigning
<b>UN</b>	<b>U</b> sed <b>N</b> est or eggshells found (occupied or laid within period of survey)
<b>FL</b>	Recently <b>F</b> ledged young (nidicolous species) or downy young (nidifugous species). Careful consideration should be given to the likely provenance of any fledged juvenile capable of significant geographical movement. Evidence of dependency on adults (e.g. feeding) is helpful. Be cautious, even if the record comes from suitable habitat.
<b>ON</b>	Adults entering or leaving nest-site in circumstances indicating <b>O</b> ccupied <b>N</b> est (including high nests or nest holes, the contents of which can not be seen) or adults seen incubating
<b>FF</b>	Adult carrying <b>F</b> aecal sac or <b>F</b> ood for young
<b>NE</b>	<b>N</b> est containing <b>E</b> ggs
<b>NY</b>	<b>N</b> est with <b>Y</b> oung seen or heard

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