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Leave only a single space between sentences.

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Common and scientific bird names. Use the AOS Check-list of North American Birds (<http://www.checklist.aou.org>) for common and scientific names of bird species that occur in North America, including Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central America south through Panama. For South American species, use names from the most current version of the AOS Species Lists of Birds for South American Countries and Territories (<http://www.museum.lsu.edu/~Remsen/SACCCountryLists.htm>). For species outside the Americas, use the preferred nomenclature of the corresponding country and the Cornell University Laboratory of Ornithology's Clements Checklist of Birds of the World (<http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist/>). Use subspecific identification and list taxonomic authorities only when relevant. Give the scientific name in the title, at first mention of a species in the abstract, and at first mention in the body of the paper, with common name only thereafter. Capitalize common names of birds as specified in the checklist, except when referred to as a group (e.g., Hermit Thrush, Wood and Swainson's thrushes, thrushes). The common names of other organisms are lower case except for proper names (e.g., ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir, Couch's spadefoot).

Figures and tables. Figures and tables should supplement, not duplicate, material in the text, and except in rare instances, references to figures and tables should be parenthetical to the text, not used as the subject (i.e., cited only in parentheses to support text). Cite each figure and table in the text in numerical order. Use "Fig." rather than Figure to cite figures in the text (e.g., Fig. 5 or Fig. 3–7). To cite figures or tables from another work, write figure or table in lower case (e.g., figure 2 in Smith 1980; table 5 in Jones 1987).

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100 °C). In text, do not abbreviate day of the week or month; months should be abbreviated as 3 letters (Jan, Feb, etc.) in parentheses, figures, and tables. Define and write out acronyms and abbreviations the first time they appear in text; abbreviate thereafter: “Second-year (SY) birds. We found SY birds in large numbers.”

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Use numerals to express all measurements and mathematical relationships, such as ratios and multiplication factors (2:1; 10× magnification; 3-fold, 8 years).

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Use continental dating (e.g., 29 May 1992), the 24 h clock without a colon (e.g., 0800 h, 2315 h), and local standard time. Specify time as Standard Time (e.g., EST for Eastern Standard Time) at first reference to time of day. Present latitude and longitude with no spaces between elements. Use single and double prime symbols rather than quotation marks (e.g., 28°07'52"N, 114°31'29"W).

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Responses of bird communities to early successional habitat in a managed landscape

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Example of a 2-author title page

RRH: *Ryder and Rimmer* • Yellow Warbler molt

Latitudinal variation in the definitive prebasic molt of Yellow Warblers (*Setophaga petechia*)

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Example of a multiple-author title page

RRH: *Jones et al.* • Sparrow hybrid

A probable Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*) × Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) hybrid singing a Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*) song

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Example of a Short Communication

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Genetic mating system of Australasian Gannets (*Morus serrator*)

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Johnson DH, Krapu GL, Reinecke KJ, Jorde DG. 1985. An evaluation of condition indices for birds. *Journal of Wildlife Management*. 49:569–575.

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Smith AB. 1988.

Smith AB. 1996.

Smith AB, Adams CD, Williams GH. 2003.

Smith AB, Adams CD, Jones EF. 2010.

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Smith AB, Williams LR, Jones GH. 2006a. Clutch size...
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Crumpton WG, Isenhardt TM, Mitchell PD. 1992.
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Whole resource

Rodewald P, editor. 2015. Birds of North America. Ithaca (NY): Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. <https://birdsna.org>

Individual species account

Shane TG. 2000. Lark Bunting (*Calamospiza melanocorys*). In: Poole A, editor. Birds of North America. Ithaca (NY): Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. <https://birdsna.org/Species-Account/bna/species/larbun/>

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Single volume

Bennett PM, Owens IPF. 2002. Evolutionary ecology of birds: Life histories, mating systems, and extinction. New York (NY): Oxford University Press.

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Zar JH. 1996. Biostatistical analysis. 3rd edition. Upper Saddle River (NJ): Prentice Hall.

Book chapter

Kear J. 1970. The adaptive radiation of parental care in waterfowl. In: Crook JH, editor. Social behavior in birds and mammals. London (UK): Academic Press; p. 357–392.

Snow DW. 2001. Family Momotidae (motmots). In: del Hoyo J, Elliott A, Sargatal J, editors. Handbook of the birds of the world. Volume 6. Mousebirds to hornbills. Barcelona (Spain): Lynx Edicions; p. 264–285.

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Payne RB, Payne LL. 1998. Brood parasitism by cowbirds: risks and the effects on reproductive success and survival in Indigo Buntings. Behavioral Ecology. 9:64–73.

Remsen JV Jr, Robinson SK. 1990. A classification scheme for foraging behavior of birds in terrestrial habitats. Studies in Avian Biology. 13:144–160.

Thesis, dissertation

Davis SK. 1994. Cowbird parasitism, predation, and host selection in fragmented grassland of southwestern Manitoba [master's thesis]. Winnipeg (Canada): University of Manitoba.

Freeman S. 1991. Molecular systematics and morphological evolution in the blackbirds [dissertation]. Seattle (WA): University of Washington.

Government publication

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Known author(s):

Burns RM, Honkala BH, technical coordinators. 1990. Silvics of North America. Volume 1. Conifers. Volume 2. Hardwoods. Washington (DC): USDA, Forest Service. Agriculture Handbook Number 654.

Huff MH, Beting KA, Ferguson HL, Brown MJ, Altman B. 2000. A habitat-based point-count protocol for terrestrial birds, emphasizing Washington and Oregon. Portland (OR): USDA, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Research Station.

General Technical Report PNW-501.

Agency as author:

[USFWS] United States Fish and Wildlife Service. 2003. Mexican Spotted Owl survey protocol. Albuquerque (NM): USDI, Fish and Wildlife Service, Southwest Regional Office.

[USGS] United States Geological Survey. 1962. Grand Canyon National Park and vicinity, Arizona. Reston (VA): USDI, Geological Survey.

Symposia and proceedings

Complete volume

Likens GE, editor. 1972. Nutrients and eutrophication. Special Symposium 1; 21 Mar 1972. American Society of Limnology and Oceanography. Lawrence (KS): Allen Press.

Individual article from a proceedings or symposia

Edmondson WT. 1972. Nutrients and phytoplankton in Lake Washington. In: Likens GE, editor. Nutrients and eutrophication. Special Symposium 1; 21 Mar 1972. American Society of Limnology and Oceanography. Lawrence (KS): Allen Press; p. 172–193.

Internet sources

Use sparingly because web sites are often ephemeral

Sauer JR, Hines JE, Fallown J. 2003. North American Breeding Bird Survey, results and analysis 1966–2003. Version 2003.1. Laurel (MD): USGS, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center [cited 5 May 2004]. www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/bbs/bbs.html

Forthcoming publications (formerly “in press”)

Year unknown:

Miller MR, Fleskes JP, Takekawa JY, Orthmeyer DC, Casazza ML, Perry WM. Forthcoming. Spring migration of Northern Pintail from California's Central Valley wintering area tracked with satellite telemetry: routes, timing, and destinations. *Canadian Journal of Zoology*.

Year known:

DeCandido R, Bierregaard RO Jr, Martell MS, Bildstein KL. Forthcoming 2006. Evidence of nighttime migration by Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*) in eastern North America and Western Europe. *Journal of Raptor Research*. DOI if available

Year and volume number known:

Poling TD, Hayslette SE. Forthcoming 2006. Dietary overlap and foraging competition between Mourning Doves and Eurasian Collared-Doves. *Journal of Wildlife Management*. 70. DOI.

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