## Landbirds at Risk in Forested Wetlands - 2018 - Code Sheet for Field Surveys

## Wind (Beaufort Scale)

- **0** = Calm, smoke rises vertically (<2 km/h)
- 1 = Light air movement, wind direction shown by smoke drift (2-5 km/h)
- 2 = Slight breeze, wind felt on face, leaves rustle (6-12 km/h)
- 3 = Gentle breeze, small twigs in constant motion, light flags extend (13-19 km/h)
- 4 = Moderate breeze, small branches move, dust raised (20-29 km/h); NO SURVEY
- 5 = Fresh breeze, small trees sway (30-38 km/h); NO SURVEY

## Noise Level (e.g., from wind, water, vehicles)

- 1 = None or slight, relatively quiet, little interference
- 2 = Moderate, some interference with broadcast and/or listening
- 3 = High, substantial interference with broadcast and/or listening; NO SURVEY
- 4 = Excessive noise, extreme interference with broadcast and/or listening; NO SURVEY

- 1 = 0-25%
- **2** = 25-50%
- **3** = 50-75%
- **4** = 75-100%
- **5** = Fog

## **Precipitation**

- **1** = None
- 2 = Trace (drizzle)
- 3 = Rain; NO SURVEY

Breeding	Breeding	
Status	Code	Description (from the Maritimes Breeding Bird Atlas)
Observed	Х	Species observed in its breeding season (no actual breeding evidence)
Possible	Н	Species observed in its breeding season in suitable nesting habitat
Possible	S	Singing males(s) present in suitable nesting habitat in breeding season
Probable	Р	Pair observed in suitable nesting habitat in nesting season
Probable	Т	Permanent territory presumed through territorial song, or an adult bird, at the same place on at least two days a week or more apart, during its breeding season.
Probable	D	Courtship or display, including interaction between a male and a female or two males, including courtship feeding or copulation
Probable	V	Visiting probable nest site
Probable	Α	Agitated behaviour or anxiety calls of an adult
Confirmed	NB	Nest building or carrying nesting materials
Confirmed	DD	Distraction display or injury feigning
Confirmed	NU	Used nest or egg shells found (occupied or laid within the period of the survey)
Confirmed	FY	Recently fledged young, including incapable of sustained flight
Confirmed	AE	Adult leaving or entering nest sites in circumstances indicating occupied nest
Confirmed	FS	Adult carrying fecal sac
Confirmed	CF	Adult carrying food for young
Confirmed	NE	Nest containing eggs
Confirmed	NY	Nest with young seen or heard

**Mapping (optional):** When conducting point counts, it may be helpful to map bird locations on a point count circle sheet to keep track of each bird, its vocalizations, sex, interactions, and movements.

Standard mapping symbols are shown on the right. MAWA represents the Magnolia Warbler. See species list for the codes of other species.

If you want to use this method for point counts, please print copies of the Circle Sheet from our website to use for point count surveys.

