**Highland Records Committee**

**Rarity Description Form**

**Please send to the Highland recorder – highlandrecorder@yahoo.com**

The current list of species considered by the HRC can be found at http://www.highlandbirds.scot/hrc-description-species.html.

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| **Species:** | |
| Date first seen: | Date last seen: |
| Number of birds: | Age/sex: |
| Locality: | Recording area: |
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| Finder: | Email: |
| Identifier *(if different)*: | Email: |
| Submitter *(if different)*: | Email: |
| Other observers: | |
| Any observers who disagree with identification? | |
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| Optics used: Kowa scope | |
| Distance from bird: 200m | |
| Was the bird photographed (*if so, please enclose photos or provide web links or contact details of a photographer*)? Please describe any editing that has been done to submitted images: | |
| If you have enclosed photographs, is permission given for them to be used in future SBRC and SOC publications? | |
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| Observer(s) experience (*include whether you are familiar with this species in this plumage, familiarity with confusion species*): | |
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| Weather (*general description, including light conditions, position of sun etc where relevant*): | |
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| Contact details of submitter (*email or postal address*): | |
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| And finally, is the record 100% certain? | |

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| **Description**:  *Please try to cover:*   1. *Circumstances of finding the bird, length of view, etc.* 2. *Plumage, bare parts etc and call (if possible).* 3. *Jizz (that ‘indefinable something’ about the way it behaved).* 4. *Details of how confusion species were ruled out (if relevant) and comparison with nearby species.* 5. *Information used to age and sex the bird.* 6. *Please add any supporting sketches.* |

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| **Further details**:  *Please include (where relevant).*   1. *Details of specimen (location etc) if dead.* 2. *Ringing details (ring number, biometrics etc).* 3. *Results of DNA or other analysis.* |