

# 2011 DELAWARE ENVIROTHON WILDLIFE SPECIES LIST

Each category below lists examples of wildlife species your team should be familiar with. These lists do not include ALL animal species found in Delaware or in fresh and saltwater estuaries, and teams should be aware that test questions may mention one or more species *not* listed below.

## **BIRDS**

Be familiar with common game species and with birds that use fresh and saltwater estuaries for nesting, shelter or food. Some bird species to know include (but are not limited to):

Eastern Bluebird	Eastern Wild Turkey	Mourning Dove
Black Duck	Northern Bobwhite Quail	American Bald Eagle
Turkey Vulture	Eastern Screech Owl	Mallard Duck
Wood Duck	Snow Goose	Canada Goose
Great Blue Heron	Great Egret	Northern Harrier
American Bittern	Red Knot	American Oystercatcher
Barn Owl		

\*Understand what shorebirds are and how they are tied to Delaware's estuaries and coastline

## **MAMMALS**

Be familiar with common game species and with mammals that use fresh and saltwater estuaries for nesting/home building, shelter or food. Some mammal species to know include (but are not limited to):

Red Fox	Gray Fox	Coyote
Gray Squirrel	Delmarva Fox Squirrel	Big Brown Bat
Little Brown Bat	Eastern Cottontail	Striped Skunk
Opossum	White-tailed Deer	Raccoon
Groundhog	River Otter	Beaver
Muskrat		

## **REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS**

Delaware is home to many species of reptiles and amphibians. Some are more common to encounter, while others are listed as threatened or endangered species. Some reptile and amphibian species to know include (but are not limited to):

Copperhead Snake	Eastern Hognose Snake	Rough Green Snake
Barking Tree Frog	Diamondback Terrapin	Eastern Black Rat Snake (Ratsnake)
Fowler's Toad	Eastern Box Turtle	American Bullfrog
Tiger Salamander	Northern Spring Peeper	Bog Turtle
Northern Watersnake	Eastern Gartersnake	Spotted Turtle