

2024 KANSAS BIG YEAR RECORDING RULES

Participants who submit their list totals to the program coordinator for the Kansas Birding Big Year for consideration must observe the following Recording Rules:

(1) The bird must be observed within the boundaries of Kansas and in the corresponding time-period: January 1 – December 31, 2024, when seen.

(2) The bird must be a species currently accepted by the Kansas Bird Records Committee (KBRC) of the Kansas Ornithological Society for lists within the state, or if a new species for Kansas is recorded, it must pass the KBRC standards and be accepted on the official Kansas Bird Checklist.

(3) The bird must be alive, wild, and unrestrained when encountered.

(4) Diagnostic field-marks for the bird, sufficient to identify to species, must be seen and/or heard and/or documented by the recorder at the time of the encounter.

5) The bird must have been encountered under conditions that conform to the ABA Code of Birding Ethics. See separate attachment.