

Common Loon — Leg Band Color Chart



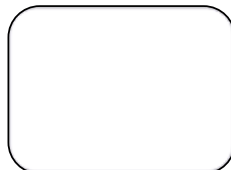
Green



Green
Stripe



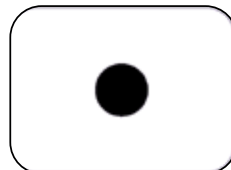
Green
Dot



White



White
Stripe



White
Dot



Red



Red
Stripe



Red
Dot



Yellow



Yellow
Stripe



Yellow
Dot



Blue



Blue
Stripe



Blue
Dot



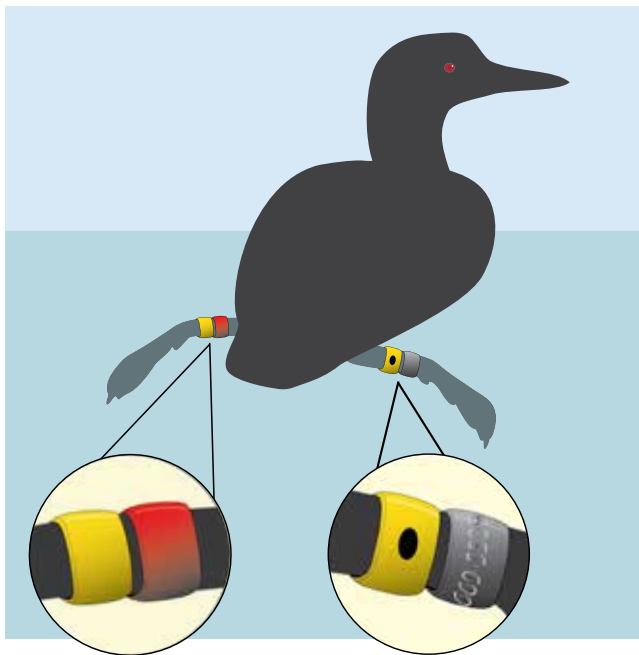
Orange



Orange
Stripe



Orange
Dot



Have You Seen a Banded Loon in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem?

BRI researchers have marked Common Loons across western North America with colored leg bands. Color-marking and resighting of loons allows us to monitor breeding individuals, calculate annual return rates to territories, track local movements and migratory routes, and determine overwintering areas.

Marking and resighting efforts are essential tools for loon conservation.

If you have encountered a color-banded loon—either found a dead one, or seen a live one—then you can contribute to the loon conservation effort by reporting your observation to us.

**Submit your observation on our website:
www.briloon.org/loonoutreach**

Thank you for your careful responses, and for your help in monitoring this iconic species!

Leg bands enable researchers to identify individual loons from a distance in the field.

Plastic color bands are used in unique combinations (left leg) and metal bands are engraved with a unique I.D. number (right leg).



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