

# British Bird Council



## CLOSED RINGS

All sizes are coloured brown and are stamped "BC" with size code, serial number of ring and year.  
**THEY MAY BE USED ONLY BY THE PERSON TO WHOM THEY ARE ISSUED.**

## SALE OF RINGS

RINGS ARE SOLD FROM JANUARY 1st TO AUGUST 31st EACH YEAR.

Rings are sold in packets of 10: the minimum order being ten rings of any one size

## COST OF RINGS

	Members	Non-Members
Sizes A to R inclusive	£2.50	£4.50
Sizes S to ZA inclusive	£3.50	£5.50

## TO ORDER (Postal Applications Only)

Write to: Hampstead House, Condoover Road, West Heath, Birmingham. B31 3QY

PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH ORDER. Cheques made payable to 'British Bird Council'.

**THE BBC HAS MADE EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS CORRECT. THE RING SIZES LISTED FOR NON-SCHEDULE BIRDS ARE FOR GUIDANCE ONLY. IT REMAINS THE BREEDER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT BIRDS ARE LEGALLY RINGED**

Size Code	Schedule 3 Birds	Schedule 4 Birds	Other Species (Recommended sizes)
<b>A</b>		Firecrest	Chiffchaff, Goldcrest, Wren, Tree Creeper, Willow Warbler.
<b>B</b>	Lesser Redpoll, Siskin, Twite	Dartford Warbler, Serin	Coal Tit, Long-tailed Tit, Pied Flycatcher, Spotted Flycatcher, Wood Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat.
<b>C</b>	Goldfinch (All sub-species) Linnet, Mealy Redpoll Chaffinch, Reed Bunting	Black Redstart, Crested Tit, Marsh warbler, Savi's Warbler	Blue Tit, Grey Wagtail, Marsh Tit, Willow Tit, Meadow Pipit, Pied Wagtail, Redstart, Greater Whitethroat, Yellow Wagtail.
<b>D</b>	Bramblefinch, Bullfinch (All sub-species)	Cetti's Warbler, Shorelark	Robin, Stonechat, Tree Sparrow, Whinchat, Tree Pipit, Sedge, Reed and Grasshopper Warblers.
<b>D+</b>	Yellow Bunting		
<b>E</b>	Greenfinch, Hedge Accentor	Bearded Tit, Cirl Bunting, Lapland Bunting, Woodlark	Blackcap, Great Tit, Garden Warbler, House Sparrow, Nightingale, Wheatear, Rock Pipit.
<b>G</b>		Snow Bunting, Wryneck	Nuthatch, Skylark
<b>J</b>		Crossbill, Red-backed Shrike	Corn Bunting, Ringed Plover, Lesser-spotted Woodpecker
<b>K</b>	Song thrush	Redwing	Waxwing, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Hawfinch
<b>M</b>	Blackbird, Starling	Fieldfare, Golden Oriole	Mistle Thrush, Ring Ouzel
<b>P</b>	Jay	Merlin (male)	Lapwing, Sparrowhawk (male), Turtle Dove
<b>R</b>	Jackdaw, Magpie	Hen Harrier (male) Merlin (female), Hobby (male)	Little Owl, Sparrowhawk (female), Stone Curlew, Collared Dove, Rock Dove, Stock Dove.
<b>S</b>		Montague's Harrier, Chough, Hobby (female)	Kestrel, Wood Pigeon
<b>T</b>			Collared Scops Owl
<b>U</b>	Barn Owl	Marsh Harrier Hen Harrier (female)	Rook, Tawny Owl, Carrion Crow, Short-eared Owl, Hooded Crow
<b>V</b>		Goshawk (male), Honey Buzzard, Barbary Falcon (male) Peregrine Falcon (male)	
<b>W</b>		Peregrine Falcon (female), Barbary Falcon (female) Gyr Falcon (male), Red Kite Goshawk (female)	Buzzard, Harris Hawk, Raven
<b>X</b>		Gyr Falcon (female)	Bengal Eagle Owl, Red-tailed Buzzard
<b>Z</b>			Snowy Owl, European Eagle Owl
<b>ZA</b>		Golden Eagle	

## Ringling Young Birds



The ring is first passed over the three forward toes (1) and then drawn up over the Metatarsus (2). It is then drawn up the tarsus taking with it the rear toe (3).

Draw the ring up the leg until the rear toe is released (4). Care should be taken not to dislocate the rear toe or damage the hind claw.

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 Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)  
 Approved Supplier of Rings**