

CHECKLIST OF KANSAS TALLGRASS PRAIRIE HERPS

Nomenclature in the following list is taken from:
"A Checklist of the Vertebrate Animals of Kansas", 3rd edition, 2005,
by George Potts and Joseph Collins.

45 species

LIFE HISTORY REFERENCE:

Amphibians and Reptiles in Kansas, 3rd edition, 1993

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Salamanders

Barred Tiger Salamander - *Ambystoma mavortium*

Smallmouth Salamander - *Ambystoma texanum*

Toads and Frogs

Plains Spadefoot - *Spea bombifrons*

Great Plains Toad - *Bufo cognatus*

Woodhouse's Toad - *Bufo woodhousii*

Northern Cricket Frog - *Acris crepitans*

Boreal Chorus Frog - *Pseudacris maculata*

Plains Leopard Frog - *Rana blairi*

Bullfrog - *Rana catesbeiana*

Great Plains Narrowmouth Toad - *Gastrophryne olivacea*

Turtles

Common Snapping Turtle - *Chelydra serpentina*

Northern Painted Turtle - *Chrysemys picta*

Ornate Box Turtle - *Terrapene ornate*

Slider - *Trachemys scripta*

Smooth Softshell - *Apalone mutica*

Spiny Softshell - *Apalone spinifera*

Lizards

Eastern Collared Lizard - *Crotaphytus collaris*

Texas Horned Lizard - *Phrynosoma cornutum*

Prairie Lizard - *Sceloporus consobrinus*

Five-lined Skink - *Eumeces fasciatus*

Great Plains Skink - *Eumeces obsoletus*

Northern Prairie Skink - *Eumeces septentrionalis*

Six-lined Racerunner - *Aspidoscelis sexlineata*

Western Slender Glass Lizard - *Ophisaurus attenuatus*

Snakes

Western Worm Snake - *Carphophis vermis*

Ringneck Snake - *Diadophis punctatus*

Eastern Hognose Snake - *Heterodon platirhinos*

Eastern Racer - *Coluber constrictor*

Prairie Kingsnake - *Lampropeltis calligaster*

Common Kingsnake - *Lampropeltis getula*

Milk Snake - *Lampropeltis triangulum*

Great Plains Rat Snake - *Pantherophis emoryi*

Eastern Rat Snake - *Pantherophis obsoletus*
Gopher Snake - *Pituophis catenifer*
Flathead Snake - *Tantilla gracilis*
Plains Blackhead Snake - *Tantilla nigriceps*
Plainbelly Water Snake - *Nerodia erythrogaster*
Northern Water Snake - *Nerodia sipedon*
Brown Snake - *Storeria dekayi*
Checkered Garter Snake - *Thamnophis marcianus*
Western Ribbon Snake - *Thamnophis proximus*
Plains Garter Snake - *Thamnophis radix*
Common Garter Snake - *Thamnophis sirtalis*
Lined Snake - *Tropidoclonion lineatum*
Copperhead - *Agkistrodon contortrix*
Massasauga - *Sistrurus catenatus*

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