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Date or Location of Observation	П			
SALAMANDERS & NEWTS				
Blue-spotted Salamander (Ambystoma laterale) N, U	Н	Н	\dashv	\dashv
Eastern Red-backed Salamander (Plethodon	П			
cinereus) N, C				
Four-toed Salamander (Hemidactylium scutatum) N, R	П		П	
Jefferson Salamander (Ambystoma jeffersonianum) N, R	П			
Spotted Salamander (Ambystoma maculatum) N, U				
Mudpuppy (Necturus maculosus maculosus) N, R				
Red-spotted Newt (Notophthalmus viridescens				
viridescens) N, U				
FROGS AND TOADS				
Eastern American Toad (Bufo americanus				
americanus) N, C				
Bullfrog (Rana catesbeiana) N, U				
Gray Treefrog (Hyla versicolor) N, C				
Green Frog (Rana clamitans) N, C				
Northern Leopard Frog (Rana pipiens) N, C				
Pickerel Frog (Rana palustris) N, R				
Spring Peeper (Pseudacris crucifer) N, C				
Western Chorus Frog (Pseudacris triseriata) N, C				
Wood Frog (Rana sylvatica) N, C				
<u>SNAKES</u>				
Brown Snake (Storeria dekayi) N, C				
Eastern Garter Snake (Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis) N, C				
Eastern Milk Snake (Lampropeltis triangulum	П			
triangulum) N, C				
Northern Ribbonsnake (Thamnophis sauritus				
septentrionalis) N, R				
Northern Ring-necked Snake (Diadophis punctatus	П		П	
edwardsii) N, R				
Northern Water Snake (Nerodia sipedon sipedon) N, U				
Redbelly Snake (Storeria occipitomaculata				
occipitomaculata) N, U				
Smooth Green Snake (Opheodrys vernalis) N, U				

TURTLES

Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii) N, R
Common Musk Turtle (Stinkpot) (Sternotherus
odoratus) N, R
Eastern Spiny Softshell (Apalone spinifera
spinifera) N, Exp
Midland Painted Turtle (Chrysemys picta marginata) N, C
Northern Map Turtle (Graptemys geographica) N, R
Red-eared Slider (Trachemys scripta elegans) E
Snapping Turtle (Chelydra serpentina) N, C

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Residency Codes:

N = Native - Indigenous to Ontario

E = Exotic - Not indigenous to Ontario

Abundance Codes:

Exp = Extirpated. Not currently known to be present at any location and is therefore presumed to be extirpated; however, was formerly a resident.

R = Rare. Highly significant in the City of Hamilton.

U = Uncommon. Moderately significant in the City of Hamilton.

C = Common. Present in many locations across the City of Hamilton.

Reptiles and Amphibians

This list has the least number of species, but by no means are these species the least interesting! Snakes and frogs and turtles... oh my! In contrast to birds and butterflies, amphibians are best seen at night. Amphibians prefer to breed under the cover of darkness to avoid predators. Peak times to hear frogs and toads calling for mates in wetlands are on warm, humid nights from April through to the end of June. Calls can often be heard from a distance.

Reptiles are often seen basking at midday. Also, don't be surprised if you see turtles crossing roads or digging holes and laying eggs beside the road or in sandy banks near water in early June. Please drive responsibly and slow down when you see them crossing the road.

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