## Order Procellariiformes - Species covered by CMS and ACAP

Species currently listed under CMS (Appendix I & II) <sup>1</sup>	Species currently listed under ACAP (Annex I)	Nomenclature according to Dickinson 2003/05 <sup>2</sup>	Common name
FAMILY DIOMEDEIDAE	- ALBATROSSES		
Diomedea exulans (II)	Diomedea exulans	Diomedea exulans	Wandering Albatross
	Diomedea dabbenena	Diomedea exulans exulans* *Includes dabbenena	Tristan Albatross
	Diomedea antipodensis	Diomedea exulans antipodensis	Antipodean Albatross
Diomedea amsterdamensis (I)	Diomedea amsterdamensis	Diomedea exulans amsterdamensis	Amsterdam Albatross
Diomedea epomophora (II)	Diomedea epomophora	Diomedea epomophora epomophora	Southern Royal Albatross
	Diomedea sanfordi	Diomedea epomophora sanfordi	Northern Royal Albatross
Diomedea albatrus (I)	Phoebastria albatrus	Phoebastria albatrus	Short Tailed Albatross
Diomedea nigripes (II)	Phoebastria nigripes	Phoebastria nigripes	Black Footed Albatross
Diomedea immutabilis (II)	Phoebastria immutabilis	Phoebastria immutabilis	Laysan Albatross
Diomedea irrorata (II)	Phoebastria irrorata	Phoebastria irrorata	Waved Albatross
Diomedea cauta (II)	Thalassarche cauta	Thalassarche cauta	Shy Albatross
	Thalassarche steadi	Thalassarche cauta steadi	White-capped Albatross
salvini and eremita are considered group-names within D.cauta	Thalassarche salvini	Thalassarche cauta salvini	Salvin's Albatross
	Thalassarche eremita	Thalassarche cauta eremita	Chatham Albatross
Diomedea bulleri (II)	Thalassarche bulleri	Thalassarche bulleri	Buller's Albatross
Diomedea chrysostoma(II)	Thalassarche chrysostoma	Thalassarche chrysostoma	Grey-headed Albatross
Diomedea melanophris (II)	Thalassarche melanophrys	Thalassarche melanophrys	Black-browed Albatross
	Thalassarche impavida	Thalassarche melanophrys impavida	Campbell Albatross
	Thalassarche carteri	Thalassarche chlororhynchos <sup>3</sup>	Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross
FAMILY DIOMEDEIDAE	- ALBATROSSES		
Diomedea chlororhynchos (II)		Thalassarche chlororhynchos	Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross

Nomenclature according to Sibley, C.G. and Monroe, B.L. 1990. Distribution and Taxonomy of Birds of the World.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Dickinson, E.D. 2003/2005. The Howard and Moore Complete Checklist of the Birds of the World.

This taxon is considered a subspecies of *Thalassarche chlororhynchos* (*sensu lato*) by some authors. According to Dickinson T. *chlororhynchos* has two subspecies (listed by Carboneras, C.,1992) but the correct nomenclature of these forms is not resolved.

Phoebetria fusca (II)	Phoebetria fusca	Phoebetria fusca	Sooty Albatross	
Phoebetria palpebrata (II)	Phoebetria palpebrata	Phoebetria palpebrata	Light-mantled Albatross	
FAMILY PROCELLARIIDAE - PETRELS				
Macronectes giganteus (II)	Macronectes giganteus	Macronectes giganteus	Southern Giant-petrel	
Macronectes halli (II)	Macronectes halli	Macronectes halli	Northern Giant-petrel	
Procellaria aequinoctialis* (II) * This includes Procellaria aequinoctialis conspicillata, formerly listed as Procellaria conspicillata	Procellaria aequinoctialis	Procellaria aequinoctialis	White-chinned Petrel	
•	Procellaria conspicillata	Procellaria aequinoctialis conspicillata	Spectacled Petrel	
Procellaria parkinsoni (II)	Procellaria parkinsoni	Procellaria parkinsoni	Black Petrel	
Procellaria westlandica(II)	Procellaria westlandica	Procellaria westlandica	Westland Petrel	
Procellaria cinerea (II)	Procellaria cinerea	Procellaria cinerea	Grey Petrel	
Pterodroma atrata (I)		Pterodroma atrata	Henderson Petrel	
Pterodroma cahow (I)		Pterodroma cahow	Bermuda Petrel	
Pterodroma phaeopygia (I)		Pterodroma phaeopygia phaeopygia	Dark-rumped Petrel	
*Pterodroma sandwichensis*(I)  *Formerly included in Pterodroma phaeopygia (s.l.)		Pterodroma phaeopygia sandwichensis	Dark-rumped Petrel	
Puffinus creatopus (I)		Puffinus creatopus	Pink-footed Shearwater	
Puffinus mauretanicus (I)		Puffinus mauretanicus	Balearic Shearwater	
FAMILY PELECANOIDIDAE - DIVING PETRELS				
Pelecanoides garnotii (I)		Pelecanoides garnotii	Peruvian Diving Petrel	

## Justification of taxonomic decisions

(brief summary of 2006, 2007 and 2008 reports of the ACAP Taxonomy WG for species covered by Annex I (ACAP) and Appendices I&II (CMS):

# Diagnosability

Data are diagnosable if:

A) "Individuals of at least one age/sex can be distinguished from the same age/sex class of all other taxa by at least one qualitative difference. This means that the individuals will possess one or more discrete characters that members of the other taxa lack.

Qualitative differences refer to presence/absence of a feature (as opposed to discontinuity in a continuously varying character)."

- B) "At least one age/sex class is separated by a complete discontinuity in at least one continuously varying character (e.g. wing length) from the same age/sex class of otherwise similar taxa. By complete discontinuity we mean that there is no overlap with regard to the character in question between two taxa." To detect a discontinuity the number of individuals compared should be based on sound judgment.
- C) "If there is no single diagnostic character we regard a taxon as statistically diagnosable if individuals of at least one age/sex class can be clearly distinguished from individuals of all other taxa by a combination of two or three functionally independent characters." Body measurements are not considered independent characters.

### Second Meeting of the ACAP Advisory Committee, June 2006

8/9. Thalassarche cauta and Thalassarche steadi

These taxa satisfy two of three diagnosability criteria in use by ACAP, and have been shown to be genetically distinct and behave differently; therefore the 2006 taxonomy WG recommended that these taxa warrant specific status.

### Third Meeting of the ACAP Advisory Committee, June 2007

5/6. Diomedea epomophora and Diomedea sanfordi

These taxa satisfy the accepted ACAP diagnosability criteria. The 2007 taxonomy WG currently recommends that these taxa continue to be recognized as separate species but recognizes that this is a case where more data are required.

16/17. Thalassarche chlororhynchos and Thalassarche carteri

These taxa satisfy the accepted ACAP diagnosability criteria. Following Robertson & Nunn, recent wideranging works on Procellaniformes (Brooke 2004; Onley & Scofield 2007) and the current taxonomy of BirdLife International (2007), the 2007 taxonomy WG recommends that these taxa continue to be recognized as separate species.

### Fourth Meeting of the ACAP Advisory Committee, August 2008

1/3/4. Diomedea exulans/amsterdamensis and Diomedea antipodensis

These taxa satisfy the diagnosability criteria in use by ACAP, although *D.amsterdamensis* and *D. antipodensis* potentially can share bill characters which provide a discontinuity with *D. exulans*. However, molecular data suggest that *D. antipodensis* is a sister taxon to *D.amsterdamensis/exulans*. The 2007/08 Taxonomy WG recommended that *D. exulans and D.amsterdamensis should be retained as two full species*.

- (assessment of *D.dabbenena/exulans* taxon pair was not completed in 2008)

14/15. Thalassarche melanophrys and Thalassarche impavida

These taxa satisfy the accepted ACAP diagnosability criteria, and have been shown to be genetically distinct; although they are very closely related and successful hybridisation may be possible; therefore these taxa are recognized as two separated species.

## 24/25. Procellaria parkinsoni and Procellaria westlandica

These taxa satisfy the accepted ACAP diagnosability criteria, and have been shown to be genetically distinct and behave differently; therefore these taxa warrant specific status.

## 14. Thalassarche melanophrys

*T. melanophrys:* proposed conservation of original spelling: *T. melanophris*, this case will be assessed by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, and the decision will be reviewed by the WG.