FLORIDA
HISTORICAL BANDING INFORMATION
(as of Fall 2012)

Banding Schemes (past and present):
(Only provide information for schemes used prior to the duplicate 2-character engraved color bands if it is easily determined)

2012-present: Duplicate Red bands with 2 engraved White numbers stacked vertically on upper legs; USFWS metal band on either lower leg

2008-2012: Duplicate Red bands with 2 engraved White letters (horizontal) on upper legs; USFWS metal band on either lower leg. These codes were shared with Georgia. We switched to the newer codes and orientation to distinguish FL birds from GA birds.

Approx. # of band codes used:
10 horizontal 2-letter codes (in addition ~5 band codes assigned to Georgia were placed on northeast FL birds by GA DNR staff)
19 vertical stacked 2-number codes

Approx. # of codes remaining:
80 vertical stacked 2-number codes

Letters/numbers used in (and ones omitted from) codes:
(If different characters used/excluded in different schemes, please note which were used in which instances)

No numbers were omitted on 2-number bands.
Letters omitted on 2-letter bands: B,D,G,J,O,Q,S,V,Z
Mirrored codes NOT used (with one exception: codes “JA” and “AJ”).

Code orientation:
2012-present: both horizontal and vertical stacked (see banding schemes)
2008-2011: horizontal

Use of code delimiters:
(Designate which delimiters were used with which codes if possible)

None on 2-number bands.
First letter under-lined on 2-letter bands.

# bands applied to each bird:
2008-present: 3 (2 color bands, 1 metal band)