

Vernal Pool Dry Season Indicators

Connecticut Forest & Park Association Property

Dry Season Indicator	Small Depression	Red maple Swamp
Basin depression with sparse herbaceous vegetation		
Small patches of marsh fern or royal fern		
Dark gray water-stained leaves		
Water marks on tree trunks		
Woody plants on hummocks		
Moss and/or algae draped on branches		
Obligate vernal pool amphibian metamorphs beneath cover objects in basin depression or nearby forest		
Fingernail clams or caddisfly cases in leaf litter		
Lightly fragmented surrounding wooded landscape		
Conclusion: Is this a vernal pool? Answer "likely" or "unlikely".		

Notes: