

# Chalcides colosii

Taxonomic Authority: Lanza, 1957

Synonyms:

Region: 7

Common Names:

Eslizón Rifeño Spanish  
Riffian Skink English  
Seps rifain French

Order: Sauria

Family: Scincidae

Notes on taxonomy:

## General Information

Biome  Terrestrial  Freshwater  Marine

### Geographic Range of species:

This species is endemic in the Mahgreb area of North Africa. It is found northern Morocco in the Rif Mountains from Tangier to Melilla. It is also present in Spanish territories of Ceuta, Melilla and on the island Peñón de Tierra (close to the Peñón de Alhucemas). It is found up to 1,500m asl.

### Habitat and Ecology Information:

It is found in semi-arid, sub-humid and humid rocky areas, piles of stones, in old walls and areas with some grassland. The female gives birth to fully formed young.

### Conservation Measures:

It is known to exist in protected areas such as Jbel Moussa, Parc National Talasemtane, Trois fourches, Marais Larache, Perdcaris, Bouhachem, Brikcha, Jbel Tizirène, Koudiat Tidighine, Lalla Outka, and Azrou Achekar

### Threats:

This species has a small geographical distribution and may be impacted by agricultural development and the development of tourism in the region. However, it is not believed to be very seriously threatened.

### Species population information:

The general abundance of this species is poorly known. It is not considered to be very common in the western parts of its range.

## Country Distribution

	Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced	Vagrant
Morocco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## FAO Marine Habitats

	Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced
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## Major Lakes

## Major Rivers

## Upper Level Habitat Preferences

	Score
3.8 Shrubland - Mediterranean-type Shrubby Vegetation	1
6 Rocky areas (eg. inland cliffs, mountain peaks)	1
10.1 Coastline - Rocky Shores (includes rocky offshore islands and sea cliffs)	1
10.2 Coastline - Sand, Shingle or Pebble Shores (incl. sand bars, spits, sandy islets, dune systems)	1
11.2 Artificial/Terrestrial - Pastureland	2

## Lower Level Habitat Preferences

Score

## Major threats

Code	Description of threat	Past	Present	Future
1	Habitat Loss/Degradation (human induced)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1.1	Crops	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1.1.3	Agro-industry farming	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4	Infrastructure development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4.3	Tourism/recreation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Conservation Measures

Code	Conservation measures	In place	Needed
3	Research actions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.2	Population numbers and range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.3	Biology and Ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.5	Threats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4	Protected areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.2	Establishment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.3	Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Utilisation of Species

Purpose/Type of Use Subsistence National International Other purpose:

