

# Chalcides mionecton

Region: 7

Taxonomic Authority: (Boettger, 1874)

Synonyms:

Common Names:

Mionecton Skink English

Order: Sauria

Family: Scincidae

Notes on taxonomy: There are two subspecies: Chalcides m. mionecton in the north and C.m. trifasciatus in the south.

## General Information

Biome  Terrestrial  Freshwater  Marine

### Geographic Range of species:

This species is largely found on the Atlantic coastal area of Morocco. It is a lowland species that is known to occur up to 700m asl.

### Habitat and Ecology Information:

This species is found in open areas of loose, slightly moist sand and soil, where it may be found under rocks and at the base of sparse vegetation. It can be found at the margins of fields, and in courtyards, gardens and parks. It is also known from the Argan Forest. This is an ovoviparous species with litters of three to four young.

### Conservation Measures:

It occurs in Souss-Massa National Park in Morocco

### Threats:

This species is affected by agricultural intensification, and it might be threatened by coastal development. However, overall it is not believed to be significantly threatened.

### Species population information:

It is a locally abundant species.

## 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"/>

## 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

10.2 Coastline - Sand, Shingle or Pebble Shores (incl. sand bars, spits, sandy islets, dune systems)	1
11.1 Artificial/Terrestrial - Arable Land	2
11.2 Artificial/Terrestrial - Pastureland	2
11.4 Artificial/Terrestrial - Rural Gardens	1

## 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"/>
1.4.2	Human settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4.3	Tourism/recreation	<input 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"/>
3.9	Trends/Monitoring	<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"/>
4.4.3	Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.4	Expansion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Utilisation of Species

Purpose/Type of Use	Subsistence	National	International	Other purpose:
Primary forms removed from the wild	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25%
Source of specimens in commercial trade	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25%

*Other forms removed from the wild:*  
*Other source of specimens:*

Trend in wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over last five years:

Trend in offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over last five years:

CITES:

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## **Red Listing**

**Red List Assessment:** Least Concern (LC)

Possibly Extinct

**Red List Criteria:**

**Rationale for the Red List Assessment:** Listed as Least Concern in view of its relatively wide distribution, tolerance of a degree of habitat modification, presumed large population, and because it is unlikely to be declining fast enough to qualify for listing in a more threatened category.

**Current Population Trend:** Unknown

**Date of Assessment:** 12/17/2004

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**Notes on Red listing:**

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