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AtlanticBluet

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Rare MALE: 27.5-37 mm (1.1-1.5 in.) FEMALE: 28-36 (1.1-1.4)

Medium

M: Mostly sky blue (including bar across top of head, shoulder stripes, sides of thorax, basal 4/5 of S3-5, most of S6, all of S8-9). Thorax: middorsal black stripe is not split by a pale median line. Appendages: cerci black, paraprocts pale w/ black tips. W&M 393.

F: Color forms: Brown, Green, or Blue. Abdomen: dorsal black.

J: Brown.

Habitat: Sandy-bottomed ponds, dense shoreline vegetation. Bogs. Western Shore. Ponds, lakes, slow rivers (Georgia). Fly among emergent shoreline vegetation, often perching on projecting stems.

Reproduction: Mate on emergent vegetation. Pair flies in tandem to vegetation, F runs underwater while M guards.

Location: Elkridge