

**Erythrodiplax minuscula (Rambur)**

**Rare**

**Little Blue Dragonlet**

**23-27 mm (.9-1.1 in.)**

**21 Apr**

**Tiny**

**M:** Face: black. Abdomen: S1-7 black w/pale blue pruinosity, S8-10 black. Wing: clear w/ small black spot basal of HW.

Appendages: yellowish. NWM 676.

**F:** Brown w/ yellow marks. Face: tan. Thorax: tan w/ diffuse brown shoulder stripes. Abdomen: middorsal black stripe, lateral black interrupted stripe; S8-10 black. Ovipositor: oblique scoop.

**J:** Like F. Body: greenish-yellow/olive w/ double line of yellow spots S3-7.

**Habitat:** Shallow ponds. Adults perch on low vegetation near shore or away from water.

**Reproduction:** M patrol frequently a territory 10' in diameter. Mate in flight or perched. F oviposit alone dipping into open water while M guards.

**Location:** Marshalee Drive, Elkridge

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