

# Peck's skipper

## *Polites coras*

Kingdom: Animalia  
Phylum: Arthropoda  
Class: Insecta  
Order: Lepidoptera  
Family: HesperIIDae

### ILLINOIS STATUS

common, native

### FEATURES

The wingspan of Peck's skipper is seven-eighths to one inch. The upperside of the wings is brown with orange patches. The orange areas are smaller in females than in males. The underside of the wings has the same type of pattern as seen on the upperside, but the colors are lighter.

### BEHAVIORS

Peck's skipper is found statewide in open areas. Adults are present from May through October. Adults feed on nectar. Larvae eat grasses. Two broods are produced annually.

### ILLINOIS RANGE





### **Aquatic Habitats**

none

### **Woodland Habitats**

none

### **Prairie and Edge Habitats**

edge