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Abstract

A preliminary review of the species of *Stenotarsus* Perty from México, Guatemala and Belize is presented. Twenty-seven species are recorded from the region including 12 new species described here: *Stenotarsus cortesi* **sp. nov.** (Jalisco), *S. incisus* **sp. nov.** (Quetzaltenango, Chiapas, Oaxaca, Veracruz), *S. kafkai* **sp. nov.** (Veracruz), *S. mesoamericanus* **sp. nov.** (Chiapas, Puebla), *S. mexicanus* **sp. nov.** (Veracruz), *S. molgorae* **sp. nov.** (Jalisco), *S. monterrosoi* **sp. nov.** (Izabal), *S. parallelicornis* **sp. nov.** (Veracruz), *S. raramuri* **sp. nov.** (Durango, Jalisco), *S. rulfoi* **sp. nov.** (Jalisco), *S. shockleyi* **sp. nov.** (Veracruz), *S. spiropenis* **sp. nov.** (Jalisco). *Stenotarsus circumdatus* Gerstaecker, *S. discipennis* Gorham and *S. tarsalis* Gorham are synonymized with *S. globosus* Guérin-Méneville. *Stenotarsus distinguendus* Arrow is synonymized with *S. sallaei* Gorham. *Stenotarsus pilatei* Gorham is synonymized with *S. militaris* Gerstaecker. Lectotypes are designated for: *Stenotarsus circumdatus* Gerstaecker, *Stenotarsus distinguendus* Arrow, *Stenotarsus exiguus* Gorham, *Stenotarsus globosus* Guérin-Méneville, *Stenotarsus guatemalae* Arrow, *Stenotarsus discipennis* Gorham, *Stenotarsus lemniscatus* Gorham, *Stenotarsus militaris* Gerstaecker, *Stenotarsus rubrocinctus* Gerstaecker, *Stenotarsus sallaei* Gorham, *Stenotarsus tarsalis* Gorham, *Stenotarsus thoracicus* Gorham. A key to the species in this region is provided. Species are described in detail and illustrated, and habits and habitats are given when available.

Key words: Taxonomy, Endomychidae, Stenotarsinae, *Stenotarsus*, México, Guatemala, Belize, mycophagous beetles