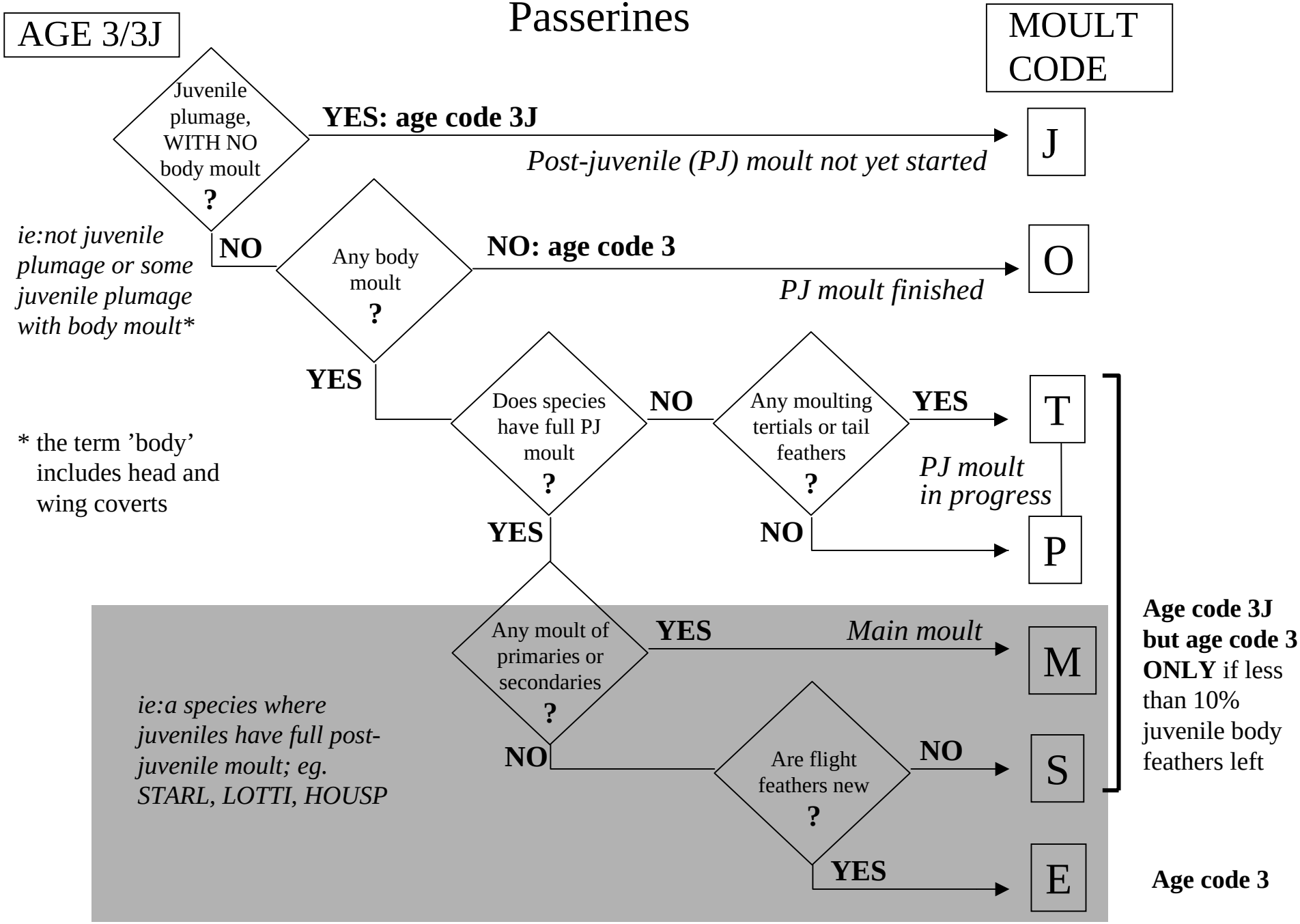
Passerines


AGE 3/3J
MOULT CODE
Juvenile plumage, WITH NO body moult ?
YES: age code 3J
Post-juvenile (PJ) moult not yet started
J
ie:not juvenile plumage or some juvenile plumage with body moult*
NO
Any body moult ?
NO: age code 3
PJ moult finished
O
YES
Does species have full PJ moult ?
NO
Any moulting tertials or tail feathers ?
YES
T
PJ moult in progress
* the term 'body' includes head and wing coverts
NO
P
YES
Any moult of primaries or secondaries ?
YES
Main moult
M
ie:a species where juveniles have full post-juvenile moult; eg. STARL, LOTTI, HOUSP
NO
Are flight feathers new ?
NO
S
YES
E
Age code 3J but age code 3 ONLY if less than 10% juvenile body feathers left
Age code 3