

Genus *Tachysphex* Kohl, 1883 is placed into the family Crabronidae, tribe Larrini (Menke 1997) and includes approximately four hundred species from all over the world. They can be found in almost all terrestrial habitats, but occur mainly in semiarid areas. Species of *Tachysphex* prey on insects from the orders Blattoptera, Mantodea, Ensifera and Caelifera (Krombein & Pulawski 1994).



Actual species list find at:

http://researcharchive.calacademy.org/research/entomology/Entomology_Resources/Hymenoptera/

[sphecidae/Genera_and_species_pdf/Tachysphex.pdf](#)

Our interest about systematics of *Tachysphex* is directed to all Palearctic species. We prepare a review of European *Tachysphex* species

including Turkey. Material for identification is invited!

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