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Amphibia, Anura, Hylidae, *Dendropsophus rubicundulus*: Distribution extension.

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Dendropsophus rubicundulus (Reinhardt & Lütken, 1862) is a small tree frog (SVL: males 18.0 to 23.4 mm; females 21.6 to 25.1 mm) characterized by the following combination of traits: dorsum consistently green in life and pink to violet in preservative, with two divergent brown stripes from anterior section of head to sacral region, and two sacral stripes of same color and orientation extending to cloacal region; a thin brown dorsolateral stripe bordered by a thin light stripe from posterior corner of orbit to near groin; and head as long as wide, its width contained about 3.3 times in snout-vent length (Napoli and Caramaschi 1999).

According Napoli and Caramaschi (1999), it is widely distributed in Brazil, mainly in the Cerrado Domain (Ab'Saber 1977), in the states of Minas Gerais, Goiás, Bahia, and southwestern Piauí, municipality of Uruçuí. We did not mention neither the IUCN (2006) nor Frost (2007) distributions because both are not updated (M. F. Napoli, personal communication).

The knowledge about amphibians in the state of Piauí is still incipient; the few studies conducted had basically taxonomic approaches (Caramaschi and Jim 1983a; Caramaschi and Jim 1983b) and only one survey of the anuran fauna was conducted at Estação Ecológica de Uruçuí-Una, in the municipality of Uruçuí (Zaher 2001). Recently, we carried out a field study at the north region of the state. During the field work at Parque Nacional de Sete Cidades (04°06'28" S, 41°42'04" W), which comprises the municipalities of Piracuruca (03°55'40" S, 41°42'32" W) and

Brasileira (04°07'51" S, 41°46'55" W), between 10 and 13 May 2007, ca. 21:00 h, we collected four males of *Dendropsophus rubicundulus* (Figure 1) (SVL: 18.5 to 21.9 mm), in a chorus of about 15 to 20 males, calling on the marginal vegetation at temporary ponds, along with specimens of *Physalaemus cuvieri*, *Leptodactylus pustulatus*, and *Scinax x-signatus*. Specimens were deposited in the Herpetological Collection of the Universidade Estadual do Piauí (UESPI) (UESPI 0059, 0066, 0071, 0076).

This new record for the state of Piauí extends the distribution of *D. rubicundulus* ca. 300 km northeastern straight-line from the previous records at the municipality of Uruçuí.



Figure 1. Adult male of *Dendropsophus rubicundulus* (UESPI 0059; SVL: 21.9 mm) from the Parque Nacional de Sete Cidades, state of Piauí, Brazil.

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