

***Pheidole neoschultzi*: Replacement Name for *Pheidole schultzi* LaPolla, 2005 (Hymenoptera: Formicidae), a Junior Homonym of *Pheidole schultzei* Forel, 1910**

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According to Article 58 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature: “Species-group names established for different nominal taxa that differ in spelling only in any of the following respects and that are of the same derivation and meaning are deemed to be homonyms when the nominal taxa they denote are included in the same genus or collective group: 58.2. use of ei, i or y (e.g. cheiropus, chiropus, chyropus)”

The recently described species, *Pheidole schultzi* LaPolla, 2005 is therefore a junior primary homonym of *Pheidole schultzei* Forel, 1910 according to the Zoological Code. When junior homonyms are without synonyms, as is the case for *Pheidole schultzi* LaPolla, 2005, replacement names are needed as stated in Article 60.3:

“ If the rejected junior homonym has no known available and potentially valid synonym it must be replaced by a new substitute name, with its own author and date; this name will then compete for priority with any synonym recognized later.”

Therefore, the replacement name, *Pheidole neoschultzi* LaPolla, **nomen novum**, is proposed for *Pheidole schultzi* LaPolla, 2005. As recommended by the Zoological Code, the holotype specimen will remain the same and will bear a new label indicating its new name.

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