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اتُخذت الترتيبات اللازمة لجمع مجموعات سجلات الطقس العالمية (WWR) لعام 2016. فلعلكم تتذكرون أن المؤتمر العالمي السابع عشر للأرصاد الجوية قد أشار إلى نجاح تنفيذ النهج الجديد لتقديم سجلات الطقس العالمية على أساس سنوي، وحث الأعضاء على تقديم بياناتهم في الوقت المحدد، على النحو المبين في القرار 14 (EC-64) - تقديم سجلات الطقس العالمية على أساس سنوي.

ومن هذا المنطلق، فإنني أدعوكم إلى إعداد البيانات المتعلقة بالمحطات الموجودة في بلدكم، والواردة في مطبوع المنظمة (WMO) رقم 9، المجلد ألف، محطات الرصد *(انظر: http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/volume-a/vola-home.htm)*. وترحب المنظمة (WMO) بالمحطات الأخرى، على أن تكون البيانات من أبكر سجلات متوافرة. وينبغي أن تغطي البيانات عام 2016، وإن كانت لم تُقدم بعد فيرجى أيضاً تقديم بيانات الفترتين 1991-200 و2010 والسنوات 2011 و2012 و2013 و2015 وأود أن أؤكد أن قواعد البيانات التي لدينا تتضمن ثغرات هامة في البيانات في معظم أنحاء العالم بشأن الفترتين المشار إليهما

يرجى رقمنة البيانات وتقديمها إما بنسق EXCEL وإما بنسق نصي، وفقاً *للمبادئ التوجيهية الخاصة بتقديم سجلات الطقس العالمية لعام 2011 وما بعده. ويتو*افر هنا مزيد من المعلومات، ومنها القالب النموذجي EXCEL: http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/wcp/wcdmp/GCDS_2.php.

وتيسيراً لنشر البيانات التي تتضمنها سجلات الطقس العالمية (WWR)، يُرجى تقديم إسهاماتكم في أقرب وقت ممكن، على ألا يتجاوز ذلك **13 تموز/ يوليو 2017**، إلى مركز الريادة المعني التابع للجنة النظم الأساسية (CBS) والخاص بالنظام العالمي لرصد المناخ (GCOS)، طبقاً للمرفق 1 للمبادئ التوجيهية المرفقة. كما يمكنكم، عوضاً عن ذلك، إرسال البيانات إلى أمانة المنظمة (WMO) (wcdmp@wmo.int).

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 History

The World Weather Records (WWR) database contains historical monthly climatic data from land surface stations worldwide. First released in 1927, the WWR database has been widely employed in operational climate monitoring, international climate assessments, and numerous other applications. To date, there have been nine editions of the WWR database, the first containing the available data up to and including 1920, with each successive release containing data for another decade (that is, 1921–1930, 1931–1940, 1941–1950, 1951–1960, 1961–1970, 1971–1980, 1981–1990, 1991–2000, 2001–2010). Since its inception, WWR has been produced by three different institutions: the Smithsonian Institution (1927, 1934, 1947); the United States of America Weather Bureau (1959, 1967); and the United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA; 1983, 1991, 2005). The current edition will also be produced by NOAA. It addresses the 2011+ period, consistent with WMO Secretariat guidance. However, the previous edition lacked data for many countries/territories because of the decline in station coverage that started in 1991, posing an impediment to climate monitoring and assessment activities. The Sixteenth World Meteorological Congress, Geneva 2011, emphasized the importance of updating the WWR database continuously. It requested Members to complete the data sets for WWR 1991–2000, submit WWR for 2001–2010, and – starting from 2011 – move towards annual updates of the WWR database. This approach has been formalized through Resolution 14 (EC-64) – Submission of World Weather Records on an annual basis.

1.2 Submission channels of the World Weather Records

Each WMO Member should submit two types of files to one of the responsible Commission for Basic Systems (CBS) lead centres for the Global Climate Observing System (GCOS) or to WMO as appropriate (see recommended collection mechanisms by region in Annex I). The first file type should contain station data for the country/territory (single Excel file containing all stations OR single text file per station, see Annexes II and III, respectively), and the second should contain a history metadata file (Annex IV). These files can be submitted via electronic mail following guidance provided by the WMO Secretariat or by a regional coordinating centre. Annex I specifies responsible institutions for each region including an e-mail address. In case of any questions, Members are encouraged to contact WMO: wcdmp@wmo.int.

1.3 Quality assurance and accessibility of World Weather Records

World Weather Records can be accessed through the World Data Centre for Meteorology, National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI), Asheville, United States at http://www1. ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/wwr/. It is planned to provide access to quality-controlled WWR within six months of the WMO submission deadline annually. Routine quality assurance reviews of NCEI focus on gross data problems and include format consistency checks, determination of duplication and reasonableness of submitted values and metadata.

2. METHODOLOGY FOR REPRESENTING THE WORLD WEATHER RECORDS

2.1 Data elements

This document provides guidance on how to format data for submission to the current edition of WWR. As in the previous edition, the database will contain six climatic elements:

- (Code 2) Monthly mean station pressure;
- (Code 3) Monthly mean sea-level pressure;
- (Code 4) Monthly mean temperature;

- (Code 5) Monthly mean maximum temperature;
- (Code 6) Monthly mean minimum temperature;
- (Code 7) Total monthly precipitation.

As practiced in recent years, monthly means of daily relative humidity can also be submitted:

(Code 8) Monthly mean relative humidity.

The primary goal is to capture year-by-year, month-by-month data for each element at each station (for example, total monthly precipitation for Geneva in January 2011, February 2011,..., December 2015+). However, station metadata are also of particular importance. At a minimum these metadata should include station name, coordinates and elevation. Preferably, observation times, averaging formulas, instrumentation types, and station changes will also be documented. WMO Members should submit data for all of their surface stations that have an official WMO station index number.

2.2 Data format

Each WMO Member should submit the WWR data in either Excel or text file format. This section describes the format of these files, which are similar to previous editions of WWR. There are generally two record types in these formats:

- (a) Station header records documenting basic station characteristics;
- (b) Yearly data records with monthly and annual data for a particular year:

Note that decadal average (MEAN) and climate normal (CLINO) records are no longer necessary with this data submission.

Option 1: Excel

An example of a properly formatted Excel submission is given in Annex II, and an electronic template is provided to Members. A single Excel file should contain all stations for a given country/territory, with a single station on each tab, and each tab containing a single station's elements.

The first line for each station must be a station header record. There must be only one Station Header record for each station, and it should contain the most recent information for the station.

The next yearly data record section contains data for each climatic element for that station. Leave the element section blank if the station does not report that element.

(a) Station header records

Station header records contain 14 fields documenting basic station characteristics. These characteristics should represent the most recent location of the station. Stated in tabular form, the contents include the following:

Field	Columns	Contents	Notes
	1–2		Leave these columns blank
1	3–7	WMO number	5 digits with leading 0 if applicable, right-justified
2	8	Record type	1 = station header record
3	9–10	Degrees of latitude (0–90)	Right-justified
4	11–12	Minutes of latitude (0–59)	Right-justified
5	13–14	Seconds of latitude (if available, 0–59)	Right-justified
6	15	Hemisphere of latitude	N (northern) or S (southern)

Field	Columns	Contents	Notes
7	16–18	Degrees of longitude (0–180)	Right-justified
8	19–20	Minutes of longitude (0–59)	Right-justified
9	21–22	Seconds of longitude (if available, 0–59)	Right-justified
10	23	Hemisphere of longitude	E (eastern) or W (western)
11	24-47	Name of country/territory in English	Left-justified
12	48–71	Name of station in English	Left-justified
13	72–76	Height of station above sea level (whole metres)	Right-justified
14	77–83	Height of barometer above sea level (tenths of metres)	Right-justified

(b) Yearly data records

Each yearly data record contains monthly and annual data for a particular year. These records contain 17 fields documenting the WMO number, element type, year, monthly data values, and the annual value. Stated in tabular form, the contents include the following:

Field	Columns	Contents	Notes
	1–2		Leave these columns blank
1	3–7	WMO number	5 digits with leading 0 if applicable, right-justified
2	8	Element type	 2 = mean station pressure in tenths of hPa 3 = mean sea-level pressure in tenths of hPa 4 = mean daily air temperature in tenths of a °C 5 = total precipitation in tenths of a mm 6 = mean daily maximum air temperature in tenths of a °C 7 = mean daily minimum air temperature in tenths of a °C 8 = mean of the daily relative humidity in whole per cent
3	9–12	Year	4 digits
4	13	Record type	Blank = yearly data record
5	14–18	January	If a value is missing, then leave the field blank
6	19–23	February	All values should be right-justified
7	24–28	March	An values should be right-justified
8	29–33	April	Decimal points are implied (e.g., 1014.1 hPa should be
9	34-38	May	entered as "10141")
10	39-43	June	
11	44-48	July	If there is no value after the decimal, the last character
12	49–53	August	should be "0" (e.g., 1014.0 hPa should be "10140")
13	54-58	September	If the temperature is negative, the 1st value of the field
14	59-63	October	should be "-" (e.g., -13)
15	64-68	November	If precipitation is zero, the field should be "0". If there was
16	69–73	December	trace precipitation, the field should be "T"
17	74–78	Annual	

If data are missing for an entire year, then only complete fields 1-4.

Yearly data can be provided for only the data-year in question but also for other data years where data were not previously submitted or need to be corrected.

Option 2: Text

An example of a properly formatted text file submission is given in Annex III, and a template is provided. A single text file should contain one station containing that single station's elements.

The first section for each station must be a station header record. There must be only one station header record for each station, and it should contain the most recent information for the station.

The next yearly data record section contains data for each climatic element for that station. Leave the element section blank by using spaces if the station does not report that element. Do not use figure "9" or "-9" or tabs to represent missing data.

(a) Station header records

Station header records contain seven rows documenting basic station characteristics. These characteristics should represent the most recent location of the station.

Line	Position	Contents	Notes
1	40-44	WMO number	5 digits with leading 0 if applicable, left-justified
2	40-63	Name of station in English	Left-justified
3	40-63	Name of country/territory in English	Left-justified
4	40-49	Latitude degrees (0–90) minutes (0–59) seconds (0–59) direction (N or S)	Left-justified, example 09 04 00N
5	40–50	Longitude degrees (0-180) minutes (0–59) seconds (0–59) direction (E or W)	Left-justified, example 000 45 59S
6	40-49	Height of station above sea level	Left-justified, whole metres
7	40-49	Height of barometer above sea level	Left-justified, tenths of metres, explicit decimal

(b) Yearly data records

Each yearly data record contains monthly and annual data for a particular year. These records contain 14 fields documenting the year, element type, monthly data values, and the annual value. Stated in tabular form, the contents include the following:

Field	Columns	Contents	Notes
1	1–4	Year	4-digits
2	6–11	January	If a value is missing, then leave the field blank
3	13–18	February	All values should be vight justified
4	20-25	March	All values should be right justified
5	27–32	April	Decimal points should be explicitly noted except for
6	34-39	May	relative humidity (which is rounded to whole per cent)
7	41-46	June	If there is no value after the decimal, the last character
8	48-53	July	should be "0" (e.g., 1014 hpa should be "1014.0")
9	55-60	August	If the temperature is pegative, the 1st value of the field
10	62–67	September	If the temperature is negative, the 1st value of the field should be "–" (e.g., –13)
11	69–74	October	
12	76-81	November	If precipitation is zero, the field should be "0". If there was trace precipitation, the field should be "T"
13	83-88	December	trace precipitation, the new should be T
14	90–95	Annual	

If data are missing for an entire year, then only complete field 1. If data are missing for any months, use spaces to fill (not the tab key).

Yearly data can be provided for only the data year in question but also for other data-years where data were not previously submitted or need to be corrected.

2.3 History metadata (station notes)

Each WMO Member should submit one file containing all the metadata (station notes) for all the stations in their country/territory. There is no required format for this information, but there is some preferred content to make the greatest possible use of the submitted climatic data. Critical content includes the times of observation, the formulas used in computing means, and the types of instrumentation. To the extent possible, this information should be specific to each climatic element. Furthermore, it is extremely helpful if historical changes are explicitly documented for all types of metadata, including observation times, averaging formulas, instrumentation types, and basic parameters such as location and elevation. An example of station notes is given in Annex IV.

ANNEX I. RECOMMENDED COLLECTION MECHANISM BY REGION

Note: Members may choose to submit their WWR through any of the below mentioned CBS lead centres for GCOS. Members are invited to notify WMO (wcdmp@wmo.int) should they decide to deviate from the normal channels.

Region	Member States/ Territories	Collection mechanism	Alternative
RAI	All Members of RA I	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS Africa, Morocco (DMN*), cbs.lead.centre.4gcos@gmail.com	, ,
RA II	All Members of RA II	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS Asia, Japan (JMA*);	WMO, Geneva; wcdmp@wmo.int
RA III	All Members of RA III	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS South America, Chile (DMC*); gtorres@meteochile.cl	WMO, Geneva; wcdmp@wmo.int
RA IV	All countries of RA IV	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS North and Central America and the Caribbean, United States (NCEI*); gcos.ncdc@noaa.gov	WMO, Geneva; wcdmp@wmo.int
RAV	All Members of RA V	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS South West Pacific, Australia, (BOM*); GCOS_Lead_ Centre_RAV@bom.gov.au	WMO, Geneva; wcdmp@wmo.int
RA VI	All Members of RA VI	CBS Lead Centre for GCOS Europe, Germany (DWD*); christiana.lefebvre@dwd.de	WMO, Geneva; wcdmp@wmo.int

* BOM: Bureau of Meteorology; DMC: Dirección Metorológica de Chili; DMN: National Meteorological Office of Morocco; DWD: Deutscher Wetterdienst; JMA: Japan Meteorological Agency; NCEI: National Centers for Environmental Information.

ANNEX II. EXAMPLE EXCEL FILE (SINGLE STATION PER TAB)

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ANNEX III. EXAMPLE TEXT FILE (SINGLE STATION PER FILE)

WMO number: 85629 CURICO GENERAL FREIRE Station name: CHILE Country/territory name: Latitude (DD MM SS N/S): 34 58 00 s Longitude (DDD MM SS E/W): 071 14 00 W Station height (whole metres): 228 Barometer height (metres, to tenths): 228.0 (2) Mean station pressure (tenths of hPa) Year Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun .T11] Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec MEAN 2011 989.0 986.9 989.1 989.8 990.0 993.8 993.2 992.9 993.5 991.6 989.9 988.3 990.7 988.6 989.8 2012 988.3 988.5 988.7 990.7 990.5 991.5 990.7 991.3 990.9 991.6 986.3 990.1 985.2 989.5 990.7 989.3 2013 986.3 987.3 988 3 991.4 991.2 991.9 992.9 989 1 987 8 2014 986.9 989.0 990.7 986.2 987.3 989.8 992.0 992.7 990.9 990.0 986.2 989.4 990.3 990.1 990.0 991.4 992.7 2015 987.5 986.1 986.3 990.4 989.6 988.7 988.1 989.3 2016 (3) Mean sea-level pressure (tenths of hPa) Year Jan Jul MEAN Feb Mar Apr Mav Jun Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec 2011 1015.1 1012.9 1015.4 1016.5 1016.9 1021.2 1020.6 1020.2 1020.6 1018.4 1016.3 1014.4 1017.4 2012 1014.3 1014.6 1015.0 1017.5 1017.7 1018.8 1017.9 1018.5 1017.8 1018.5 1015.0 1012.3 1016.5 2013 1011.0 1012.3 1013.6 1015.1 1016.7 1019.0 1018.6 1019.2 1020.0 1016.7 1015.3 1013.7 1015.9 2014 1012.8 1012.3 1013.6 1016.7 1018.0 1019.5 1016.3 1020.0 1017.8 1017.4 1016.6 1012.3 1016.1 2015 1013.5 1012.1 1012.6 1017.3 1017.2 1017.1 1018.7 1020.1 1017.3 1016.3 1015.0 1014.2 1016.0 2016 (4) Mean daily air temperature (tenths of degrees Celsius) Year Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec MEAN 2011 19.4 19.3 16.7 13.6 12.0 7.2 7.7 8.2 9.8 12.8 15.9 18.8 13.5 2012 8.8 11.7 12.5 19.9 9.6 8.3 9.3 14.9 18.6 16.4 12.7 19.7 13.5 7.9 9.7 2013 20.5 19.1 16.1 12.2 5.4 6.5 8.6 14.0 17.3 19.9 13.1 2014 20.3 11.4 8.3 7.4 7.6 10.9 13.1 15.1 18.2 16.4 6.1 18.1 12.7 2015 18.6 15.8 10.6 9.6 9.6 7.6 7.6 11.0 13.0 16.2 18.6 19.3 13.1 2016 (5) Total precipitation (tenths of mm) Year Jan Feb Mar Apr Mav Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec MEAN 0 2.4 44.6 2011 11.7 0 191.1 75.2 110.8 33.7 18.9 0.2 0 488.6 2012 0 37.7 14.7 168.9 408.8 208.7 115.1 186.7 43.9 2.0 0 1193.5 7.0 2013 8.3 1.0 0.3 17.5 55.9 147.9 139.7 116.0 24.9 0.4 0 0.2 512.1 6.7 0.2 2014 0 1.5 3 0 22.4 203.7 135 2 390.3 108.3 65.2 47.4 0 983.7 25.0 127.1 2015 0 3 29 9 126.5 0 26.1 6.6 46.7 71 9 460.3 2016 (6) Mean daily maximum air temperature (tenths of degree Celsius) Year Jan Jul Oct Nov MEAN Feb Mar Apr May Jun Aug Sep Dec 2011 29.5 30.8 30.5 1.3 3.6 13.9 20.4 32.3 26.7 19.1 11.1 1.6 18.2 2012 5.9 10.1 16.3 20.0 27.9 28.5 32.7 30.6 27.1 16.1 8.3 0.5 18.7 2013 26.8 25.5 11.0 20.8 30.4 31.0 31.7 7.1 18.0 1.6 6.1 18.6 5.3 22.3 30.7 29.3 26.7 2014 2.6 8.2 26.4 30.4 20.0 11.9 3.1 18.8 13.4 2015 22.7 25.6 2.1 1.3 12.5 31.5 32.7 30.3 27.2 20.6 13.4 1.6 18.5 2016 (7) Mean daily minimum air temperature (tenths of degree Celsius) Feb Year Jan Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec MEAN 2011 15 8 20 7 22.7 21 2 16 0 77 93 6.0 1 3 8 3 8 8 0 3 6 6 22.8 21.5 2012 5.2 2.8 3.2 8.9 15.4 19.4 5.7 1.6 6.2 8.0 14.3 11.0 31.7 2013 1.6 6.1 20.8 26.8 30.4 31.0 25.5 18.6 7.1 5.3 18.0 22.3 30.7 2014 2.6 8.2 13.4 26.4 30.4 29.3 26.7 20.0 11.9 3.1 18.8 2015 1.3 12.5 22.7 25.6 31.5 32.7 30.3 27.2 20.6 13.4 1.6 2.1 18.5 2016 (8) Mean of the daily relative humidity (whole percent) Year Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec MEAN 2011 57 62 31 46 44 63 68 71 63 73 56 42 56 2012 19 22 29 35 41 45 46 46 42 37 28 22 34 2013 22 25 33 41 45 47 46 43 38 27 20 34 20 2014 20 22 29 31 39 45 47 46 43 38 27 18 34 2015 25 18 20 26 34 40 45 47 47 43 37 23 34 2016

ANNEX IV. STATION NOTES EXAMPLE

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO (2 stations)

General:

All observation hours were in local time. A total of 24 hourly observations per day were used in computing the means of temperature and pressure except at Crown Point. At this station, part-time operation existed during June to December 1980; January 1976; 1977, and 1978; February, March, April 1976; and for February, March, and April 1978. Observation hours during these periods were 0700 to 2300 hours or 0800 to 2200 hours.

At Piarco, the period of record of CLINO values for sea-level pressure and temperature was 1946–1975. For precipitation it was 1946–1980. No CLINO exists for Crown Point since past records begin only in 1970.

Pressure:

Pressure was measured by a Kew Pattern barometer until 1974 after which a precision Aneroid type was used. Heights of the barometers were 13.4 metres at Piarco and 6.7 metres at Crown Point.

Temperature:

Thermometers, housed in a standard Stevenson screen, were 1.2 metres above ground at both stations.

Precipitation:

Rainfall was measured by a pot gauge. A tilting-siphon rain recorder adjusted the pot gauge. Rainfall was measured four times daily at 0200, 0800, 1400, and 2000 hours local time at both stations except during part-time operations at Crown Point. Heights of the rain gauges were 3 metres at Piarco, and 3 metres at Crown Point.

URUGUAY (13 stations)

General:

CLINO values correspond to the period 1951–1980 for precipitation and 1946–1980 for other elements. Rain gauges and thermometers were located 1.5 metres above the ground.

Pressure and temperature:

The monthly pressure and temperature values were both computed from the equation:

1/10(00+03+06+09+12+15+18+21 hours GMT + Mean max + Mean min)

Precipitation:

The daily values were measured at 0900 hours GMT.

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