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Subject: Changes to the Aviation Tropical Cyclone Advisory (TCA) effective immediately

Effective immediately, format changes will be made to the Aviation Tropical Cyclone Advisory (TCA) product issued by the National Hurricane Center and the Central Pacific Hurricane Center for active tropical cyclones. These changes will supersede information in NWS Instruction 10-607: Tropical Cyclone Forecast Center Products and Services. These changes are necessary to be in compliance with World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Technical Regulation No. 49, Volume II, Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation. This Regulation was recently amended to align with Amendment 78 to Annex 3 to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Convention on International Civil Aviation.

An example of the new format of the TCA can be found below:

FKPA22 PHFO 140250
TCAPA2

HURRICANE EXERCISE ICAO ADVISORY NUMBER 2
NWS CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER HONOLULU HI CP012021
0300 UTC TUE AUG 14 2021

TC ADVISORY
DTG: 20210814/0300Z
TCAC: PHFO
TC: EXERCISE
ADVISORY NR: 2021/002
OBS PSN: 14/0230Z N1554 W15200
MOV: WNW 14KT
C: 0957HPA
MAX WIND: 105KT
FCST PSN +6 HR: 14/0900Z N1615 W15254
FCST MAX WIND +6 HR: 105KT
FCST PSN +12 HR: 14/1500Z N1636 W15348
FCST MAX WIND +12 HR: 105KT
FCST PSN +18 HR: 14/2100Z N1706 W15500
FCST MAX WIND +18 HR: 105KT
FCST PSN +24 HR: 15/0300Z N1736 W15612
FCST MAX WIND +24 HR: 100KT

IN THIS PRODUCT IS INTERPOLATED FROM OFFICIAL FORECAST DATA VALID AT 0000, 0600, 1200, AND 1800Z.

NXT MSG: 20080814/0900Z

(Double Dollar Signs)

The TCA is provided using the following AWIPS product identifiers (PILs) and WMO Headers:

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Users of the TCA product should be aware that the NWS plans to provide the TCA in an additional format beginning in November when the WMO and ICAO will require the TCA to be disseminated in ICAO Meteorological Information Exchange Model (IWXXM) format. The NWS will issue an SCN before beginning the provision of aviation products in IWXXM format.

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