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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-09
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
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SUBJECT: CHANGE TO FORMAT OF THE TROPICAL CYCLONE
DISCUSSION FOR THE ATLANTIC HURRICANE BASIN:
EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2009

THROUGH 2008 THE LOCAL ISSUANCE TIME ZONE IN THE TROPICAL
CYCLONE DISCUSSION /TCD/ PRODUCT WAS NOTED AS
EASTERN...REGARDLESS OF THE LOCATION OF THE TROPICAL CYCLONE.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2009...THE LOCAL ISSUANCE TIME ZONE FOR THE TCD
PRODUCT WILL BE NOTED AS ATLANTIC...EASTERN...OR
CENTRAL...DEPENDING ON THE LOCATION OF THE TROPICAL CYCLONE.
THIS CHANGE WILL ENSURE THE LOCAL ISSUANCE TIME ZONE FOR
ATLANTIC BASIN TCD PRODUCTS IS THE SAME AS IN THE COMPANION
TROPICAL CYCLONE PUBLIC ADVISORY /TCP/ PRODUCT.

AN EXAMPLE OF THE TCD PRODUCT FOR 2009 IS PROVIDED ONLINE AT
/USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/TCD_EXAMPLE.SHTML](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/tcd_example.shtml)

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