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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 05-04  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
145 PM EST WED JAN 19 2005

TO: NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ OFFICES  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION /FAA/ CUSTOMERS  
FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
OTHER CUSTOMERS OF NWS AVIATION FORECASTS

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SUBJECT: WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER AND NWS  
COMMUNICATIONS IDENTIFIER CHANGES TO AVIATION WEATHER CENTER /AWC/...THE  
ALASKA AVIATION WEATHER UNIT /AAWU/ AND THE HONOLULU WEATHER FORECAST  
OFFICE /WFO HFO/ TEXT PRODUCTS: EFFECTIVE MAY 17 2005

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE NO IMPACT ON NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE  
SUBSCRIBERS.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...MAY 17 2005 AT 1300 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME  
/UTC/...THE NWS...AWC...AAWU AND WFO HFO WILL TRANSMIT MANY OF THEIR  
AVIATION TEXT PRODUCTS USING NEW OR REVISED WMO HEADERS AND ASSOCIATED  
ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIERS. THIS  
CHANGE WILL ALIGN THESE PRODUCTS WITH WMO AND NWS STANDARDS FOR  
IDENTIFYING PRODUCTS. IN ADDITION TO CHANGES IN CURRENT HEADERS...NEW  
NON-CONVECTIVE SIGMET HEADERS HAVE BEEN ADDED TO ALLOW USERS TO IDENTIFY  
SIGMETS FOR SPECIFIC PHENOMENA SUCH AS TROPICAL CYCLONES AND VOLCANIC ASH  
CONSISTENT WITH WMO STANDARDS.

A TABLE CONTAINING NEW...REVISED AND DELETED WMO HEADERS AND ASSOCIATED  
AWIPS IDS IS ON THE WEB AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://AVIATIONWEATHER.GOV/NOTICE/](http://aviationweather.gov/notice/)

A TOTAL OF 342 HEADERS WILL BE ADDED...11 REVISED AND 132 DELETED.

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING WMO HEADER CHANGES...PLEASE CONTACT:

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