

DATA DOCUMENTATION FORM

NOAA FORM 24-13
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NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC DATA CENTER
RECORDS SECTION
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852FORM APPROVED
O.M.B. No. 41-

This form should accompany all data submissions to NODC. Section A, Originator Identification, must be completed when the data are submitted. It is highly desirable for NODC to also receive the remaining pertinent information at that time. This may be most easily accomplished by attaching reports, publications, or manuscripts which are readily available describing data collection, analysis, and format specifics. Readable, handwritten submissions are acceptable in all cases. All data shipments should be sent to the above address.

A. ORIGINATOR IDENTIFICATION

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY DONOR FOR ALL DATA TRANSMITTALS

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF INSTITUTION, LABORATORY, OR ACTIVITY WITH WHICH SUBMITTED DATA ARE ASSOCIATED NATIONAL OCEAN SURVEY (OCEANOGRAPHIC DIVISION) N.O.A.A. / DEPT. OF COMMERCE 6001 Executive Blvd. ROCKVILLE, MD.			
2. EXPEDITION, PROJECT, OR PROGRAM DURING WHICH DATA WERE COLLECTED OPR-501-FE-71 (1971 BOSTON HARBOR CURRENT SURVEY BY NOAA Ship FERREL)		3. CRUISE NUMBER(S) USED BY ORIGINATOR TO IDENTIFY DATA IN THIS SHIPMENT OPR-501-FE-71	
4. PLATFORM NAME(S)	5. PLATFORM TYPE(S) (E.G. SHIP, BUOY, ETC.) SURFACE BUOYS	6. PLATFORM AND OPERATOR NATIONALITY(IES) PLATFORM OPERATOR U.S.A.	7. DATES (FIELD SEASON) FROM: MO/DAY/YR TO: MO/DAY/YR May 10 1971 Oct. 26 1971
8. ARE DATA PROPRIETARY? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES IF YES, WHEN CAN THEY BE RELEASED FOR GENERAL USE? YEAR _____ MONTH _____		11. PLEASE DARKEN ALL MARSDEN SQUARES IN WHICH ANY DATA CONTAINED IN YOUR SUBMISSION WERE COLLECTED. GENERAL AREA 	
9. ARE DATA DECLARED NATIONAL PROGRAM (DNP)? (I.E., SHOULD THEY BE INCLUDED IN WORLD DATA CENTERS HOLDINGS FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE?) <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> PART (SPECIFY BELOW) ?		10. PERSON TO WHOM INQUIRIES CONCERNING DATA SHOULD BE ADDRESSED WITH TELEPHONE NUMBER (AND ADDRESS IF OTHER THAN IN ITEM-1)	

B. SCIENTIFIC CONTENT

Include enough information concerning manner of observation, instrumentation, analysis, and data reduction routines to make them understandable to future users. Furnish the minimum documentation considered relevant to each data type. Documentation will be retained as a permanent part of the data and will be available to future users. Equivalent information already available may be substituted for this section of the form (i.e., publications, reports, and manuscripts describing observational and analytical methods). If you do not provide equivalent information by attachment, please complete the scientific content section in a manner similar to the one shown in the following example.

EXAMPLE (HYPOTHETICAL INFORMATION)

NAME OF DATA FIELD	REPORTING UNITS OR CODE	METHODS OF OBSERVATION AND INSTRUMENTS USED (SPECIFY TYPE AND MODEL)	ANALYTICAL METHODS (INCLUDING MODIFICATIONS) AND LABORATORY PROCEDURES	DATA PROCESSING TECHNIQUES WITH FILTERING AND AVERAGING
Salinity	‰	Nansen bottles	Inductive salinometer (Hytech model S510)	N/A (Not applicable)
		STD Bissett-Berman Model 9006	N/A	Values averaged over 5-meter intervals
Water color	Forel scale	Visual comparison with Forel bottles	N/A	N/A
Sediment size	ϕ units and percent by weight	Ewing corer	Standard sieves. Carbonate fraction removed by acid treatment	Same as "Sedimentary Rock Manual," Folk '65

(SPACE IS PROVIDED ON THE FOLLOWING
TWO PAGES FOR THIS INFORMATION)

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CURRENT DATA [TOTAL CURRENT, i.e. TIDAL + NONTIDAL]	SPEED IN KNOTS DIRECTION IN DEGREES TRUE	CURRENT METERS HUNG FROM SURFACE BUOYS (MINIMUM 7 DAYS, MAXIMUM 170 DAYS) Two TYPES: (1) Geodyne Photographic Current meters, Model A102 [film recording; Samples for a minute once every 10 minutes; Savonius Rotor; 25 direction readings every 2½ sec. Tilt indication.] (2) TICUS ^{Mark II} Current meters (built by Geodyne). [buoy magnetic tape and telemetry; Samples for a minute once every 12 minutes; Savonius rotor; 5 DIRECTION READINGS every 7½ seconds during minute.]	Edited out obviously bad data. Assigned time or corrected false time assignments. N/A	? ?

C. DATA FORMAT

This information is requested only for data transmitted on punched cards or magnetic tape. Have one of your data processing specialists furnish answers either on the form or by attaching equivalent readily available documentation. Identify the nature and meaning of all entries and explain any codes used.

1. List the record types contained in your file transmittal (e.g., tape label record, master, detail, standard depth, etc.).
2. Describe briefly how your file is organized.
- 3-13. Self-explanatory.
14. Enter the field name as appropriate (e.g., header information, temperature, depth, salinity).
15. Enter starting position of the field.
16. Enter field length in number columns and unit of measurement (e.g., bit, byte, character, word) in unit column.
17. Enter attributes as expressed in the programming language specified in item 3 (e.g., "F 4.1," "BINARY FIXED (5.1)").
18. Describe field. If sort field, enter "SORT 1" for first, "SORT 2" for second, etc. If field is repeated, state number of times it is repeated.

C. DATA FORMAT

COMPLETE THIS SECTION FOR PUNCHED CARDS OR TAPE, MAGNETIC TAPE, OR DISC SUBMISSIONS.

1. LIST RECORD TYPES CONTAINED IN THE TRANSMITTAL OF YOUR FILE
GIVE METHOD OF IDENTIFYING EACH RECORD TYPE

UNLABELED TAPE

[See accompany printout.]

2. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF FILE ORGANIZATION

✓ CURRENT STATIONS WRITTEN CONSECUTIVELY WITH NO FILE MARKS BETWEEN THEM.

FOR EACH STATION (1st DEFINITION):

5 RECORDS (80 CHARACTERS each) → Description of data (Alpha-numeric)

n RECORDS (54 CHARACTERS each) → Actual data

(where n = # of data points at a particular station)

(See attached computer listing)

3. ATTRIBUTES AS EXPRESSED IN ☐ PL-1 ☐ ALGOL ☐ COBOL
☒ FORTRAN ☐ _____ LANGUAGE

4. RESPONSIBLE COMPUTER SPECIALIST:

NAME AND PHONE NUMBER

BRUCE PARKER, 406-8050

ADDRESS

Rm. 605, W.S.C. 1, ROCKVILLE, MD.

COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF DATA ARE ON MAGNETIC TAPE

5. RECORDING MODE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BCD <input type="checkbox"/> BINARY <input type="checkbox"/> ASCII <input type="checkbox"/> EBCDIC <input type="checkbox"/> _____	9. LENGTH OF INTER-RECORD GAP (IF KNOWN) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3/4 INCH <input type="checkbox"/> _____
6. NUMBER OF TRACKS (CHANNELS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEVEN <input type="checkbox"/> NINE <input type="checkbox"/> _____	10. END OF FILE MARK <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCTAL 17 <input type="checkbox"/> _____
7. PARITY <input type="checkbox"/> ODD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EVEN	11. PASTE-ON-PAPER LABEL DESCRIPTION (INCLUDE ORIGINATOR NAME AND SOME KEY SPECIFICATIONS OF DATA TYPE, VOLUME NUMBER) TAPES 1679 1677 See Printouts
8. DENSITY <input type="checkbox"/> 200 BPI <input type="checkbox"/> 1600 BPI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 556 BPI <input type="checkbox"/> 800 BPI <input type="checkbox"/> _____	12. PHYSICAL BLOCK LENGTH IN BYTES 80 + 54 characters 13. LENGTH OF BYTES IN BITS 6 BITS/character

RECORD FORMAT DESCRIPTION

RECORD NAME _____

14. FIELD NAME	15. POSITION FROM - 1 MEASURED IN (e.g., bits, bytes)	16. LENGTH		17. ATTRIBUTES	18. USE AND MEANING
		NUMBER	UNITS		
see	Computer		Printout		

D. INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION

This calibration information will be utilized by NOAA's National Oceanographic Instrumentation Center in their efforts to develop calibration standards for voluntary acceptance by the oceanographic community. Identify the instruments used by your organization to obtain the scientific content of the DDF (i.e., STD, temperature and pressure sensors, salinometers, oxygen meters, velocimeters, etc.) and furnish the calibration data requested by completing and/or checking ("✓") the appropriate spaces. Add the interval time (i.e., 3 months, 6 months, 9 months, etc.) if the fixed interval calibration cycle is checked.

INSTRUMENT TYPE (MFR., MODEL NO.)	DATE OF LAST CALIBRATION	INSTRUMENT WAS CALIBRATED BY		CHECK ONE: INSTRUMENT IS CALIBRATED					INSTRUMENT IS NOT CALI- BRATED
		YOUR ORGANIZATION (✓)	OTHER ORGANIZATION (GIVE NAME)	AT FIXED INTERVALS (✓)	BEFORE OR AFTER USE (✓)	BEFORE AND AFTER USE (✓)	ONLY AFTER REPAIR (✓)	ONLY WHEN NEW (✓)	
GEODYNE PHOTOGRAPHIC A102	(BY LAB) APRIL '70 *	✓					✓ (BY LAB)	✓	
TICUS	APRIL '70 *	✓							
	↑ REPORT ENCLOSED								
ALSO * CALIBRATION CONTINUALLY CHECKED BY SHIP									