

MARINE METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES MONITORING PROGRAMME QUESTIONNAIRE**A. To masters, deck and radio officers of VOS**

In order to monitor the effectiveness of the weather and sea bulletins produced and transmitted by Meteorological Services, the World Meteorological Organization would appreciate your cooperation in completing the following questionnaire. The objective of this programme is the improvement of meteorological support to shipping.

Ship's name (call sign)
 Country of registry
 Name of master
 Operational area(s)
 Voyage from to
 Position of ship when questionnaire completed
 Date and time

Please complete the following questionnaire by ticking the appropriate heading and inserting comments, as appropriate.

	Good	Fair	Poor	Met. Service issued by	CRS
1. Storm and gale warnings	_____	_____	_____	_____	
(a) Clarity of information	_____	_____	_____		
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____		
(c) Timeliness	_____	_____	_____		
2. Weather bulletins					
(a) Clarity of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____		
(c) Timeliness	_____	_____	_____		
(d) Terminology used	_____	_____	_____		
3. Radio-facsimile broadcasts					
(a) Maintaining schedules	_____	_____	_____	_____	
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____		
(c) Readability	_____	_____	_____		
(d) Symbology	_____	_____	_____		
(e) Quality of reception	_____	_____	_____		
4. Coastal Radio Stations (CRS)/Coast Earth Stations (CES)					
(a) Establishing contact with receiving station (CRS/CES)	_____	_____	_____		
(b) Delays with OBS messages	_____	Yes	(Time.....)		
_____ No					
(c) Refusal of CRS/CES to accept OBS messages	_____	Yes	(CRS/CES.....)	_____	Yes
(d) Use of five- or ten-figure groups	_____	5	_____	10	
5. Other related problems (if any)					
Date and time					
Position of the ship					
Radio frequency and station call sign					

6. Suggested improvements

Use of additional sheets if necessary

For each case complete one questionnaire

After completion, please return to Meteorological Service at the following address:

Master's signature

B. A summary of the replies to the questionnaire addressed to Voluntary Observing Ships (VOS) received by (Meteorological Service)

	Number of ships which replied			Percentage of total replies		
	Good	Fair	Poor	Good	Fair	Poor
1. Storm and gale warnings						
(a) Clarity of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(c) Timeliness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. Weather bulletins						
(a) Clarity of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(c) Timeliness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(d) Terminology used	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. Radio-facsimile broadcasts						
(a) Maintaining schedules	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(b) Accuracy of information	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(c) Readability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(d) Symbolology	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Coastal Radio Stations (CRS)/Coast Earth Stations (CES)						
(a) Establishing contact with receiving station	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(b) Delays with OBS messages	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(c) Refusal of CRS/CES to accept OBS messages	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
(d) Use of five- or ten-figure groups	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. Other related problems						

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6. Suggested improvements

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