

LIST OF ACCRONYMS

AO	Arctic Oscillation
ARCHISS	Archival Climate History Survey
ASAP	Automated Shipboard Aerological Programme
ASAPP	ASAP Panel
AWsS	automatic weather stations
BATHY	Report of bathythermal observation
BUOY	Report of a buoy observation
CBS	Commission for Basic Systems
CCA	canonical correlation analysis
CCI	Commission for Climatology (of WMO)
CDC	Climate Diagnostic Centre
CLIMAR99	International Workshop on Advances in Marine Climatology
CLIVAR	Climate Variability Programme
CMs	Contributing Members
CMM	Commission for Marine Meteorology
COADS	Comprehensive Ocean-Atmosphere Data Set
CREX	Character form for the Representation and Exchange of data
CSM	Commission for Synoptic Meteorology (now CBS)
CSM	Climate System Monitoring
DAC	Data Assembly Centre
DBCP	Data Buoy Cooperation Panel
DMPA	Data Management Programme Area (of JCOMM)
EC	Executive Council
ENSO	"El Niño" Southern Oscillation
EOF	empirical orthogonal functions
G3OS	GOOS, GCOS and GTOS
GCCs	Global Collecting Centres
GCOS	Global Climate Observing System
GEB	Guide Editorial Board (of CCI)
GLOSS	Global Sea-level Observing system
GOOS	Global Ocean Observing System
GOSIC	Global Observing System Information Center
GTOS	Global Terrestrial Observing System
GTS	Global Telecommunications System
IGOSS	Integrated Global Ocean Services System
IMMA	International Maritime Meteorological Archive
IMMPC	International Maritime Meteorological Punch-Card
IMMT	International Maritime Meteorological Tape
INFOCLIMA	World Climate Data and Information Referral Service
IOC	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (of Unesco)
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
ISCDC	International Surface Current Data Centre
IWTC	International Workshop on Tropical Cyclones
JCOMM	Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology
MCSS	Marine Climatological Summaries Scheme
MDB	Marine Data Bank
MMS	Marine meteorological services
MQCS	minimum quality control standards
NAO	North Atlantic Oscillation
NMSs	National Meteorological Services
NCDC	National Climatic Data Center, NOAA
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
ODAS	Ocean Data Acquisition System
OGP	Office of Global Programs, NOAA
OOPC	Ocean Observations Panel for Climate (GOOS, GCOS, WCRP)

PDO	Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO)
QC	Quality control
RA	redundancy analysis I
RM	Responsible Members (of the MCSS)
RSOI	reduced space optimal interpolation
RSMCs	Regional Specialized Meteorological Centres
RTMC	Real Time Monitoring Centre
SGMC	Subgroup on Marine Climatology (of JCOMM)
SOOP	Ship of Opportunity Programme
SOOPIP	SOOP Implementation Panel
SSA	singular spectral analysis
SVD	singular value decomposition
TC	Tropical Cyclone
TESAC	Temperature, salinity and current observation from a sea station
TRACKOB	Report of a marine surface observation along a ship's track
VOS	Voluntary Observing Ships
VOSCLIM	VOS Climate Project
VSOP-NA	Special VOS Observing Project for the North Atlantic
WCDP	World Climate Data Programme
WCP	World Climate Programme
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WOC	Workshop Organizing Committee
WWW	World Weather Watch