

Ship Observations Team

~ integrating & coordinating international ship-based observing programmes for JCOMM ~



WMO Pub 47

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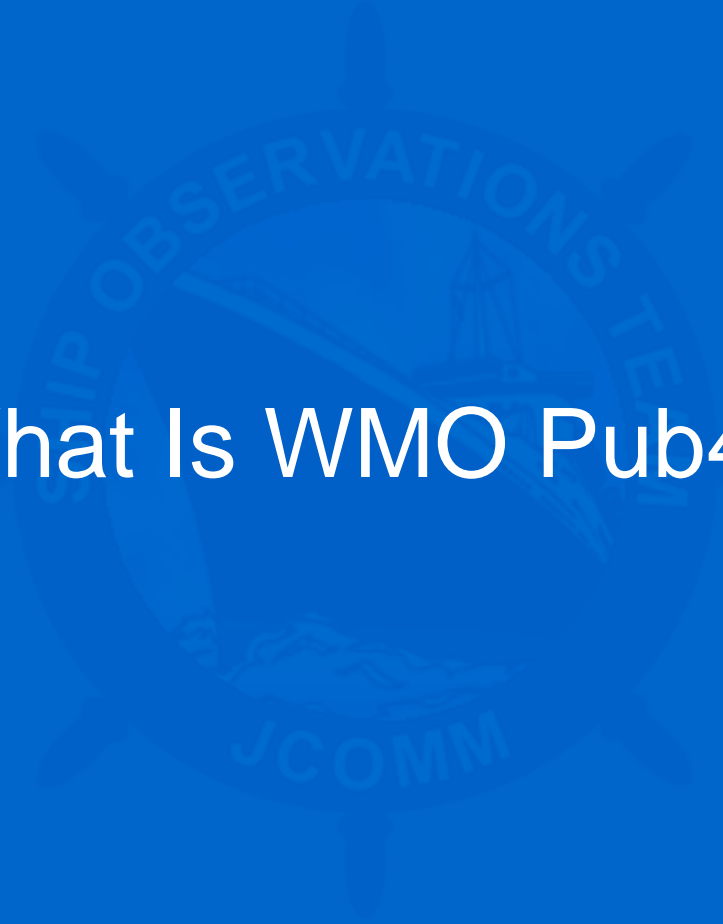
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Outline

- What is WMO Pub47
- Recent Changes
- Availability of VOS Lists
- VOS Metadata Tools

What Is WMO Pub47



WMO Publication No. 47

- International list of Voluntary Observing Ships
- Metadata fields and descriptions and related Code Tables
- Exchange Formats
 - » XML
 - » CSV
- SOT TT on Metadata for WMO Pub47 proposes changes:
 - » Additions/deletions to codes tables only needs SOT approval.
 - » Structural changes require SOT and JCOMM approval.



Recent Changes

Recent Changes

- VOS Classes
 - » New VOSClim class – VOSClim project discontinued.
 - » New AWS Classes: Sel AWS, VOSClim AWS, Sup AWS, Aux AWS.
- Location of the Barometer
 - » CR (Chartroom) deleted in favour of WH (Wheelhouse).
- Exposure of the hygrometer/thermometer
 - » SL (Sling) deleted.
 - » W (Whirling) renamed to Whirling or Sling psychrometer.
- Revised Vessel Digital Image requirements.

Pub47 Submission Schedule

- Required Schedule

- » Quarterly, at the end of December, March, June and September.
 - » submitted by 15th January, 15th April, 15th July, 15th October.
- » Email to pub47@wmo.int → WMO / E-Surfmar / JCOMMOPS.

- Desired Schedule

- » Monthly.

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International list of Selected, Supplementary and Auxiliary ships

Metadata fields & descriptions, exchange formats and code tables

Metadata Format Version 03

Prepared for the World Meteorological Organization by the
JCOMM Ship Observations Team



(Effective from 1 July 2007)



Availability of VOS Lists

Availability

- Official list of VOS on WMO website – (last updated 2008)
 - » <http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/pub47/pub47-home.htm>
- E-Surfmar VOS Metadata Database – (operational)
 - » <http://esurfmar.meteo.fr/doc/vosmetadata/index.php>



VOS Metadata Tools

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- VOSP002 – VOS Recruitment Form
 - » Collects contact information about owner, agent & ship.
 - » Collects complete details about instrumentation, including Pub47.
- VOSP002 Viewer
 - » Views the data extracted from the current VOSP002 form to compare against the previous form to identify changes.
 - » Creates a Pub47 record for the companion Pub47 XML Generator.
 - » Creates a CSV file for the E-Surfmar VOS Metadata Database.
- Pub47 XML Generator
 - » Create a national Pub47 XML file for submission to WMO.

VOS Metadata Tools Demonstration

- [VOSP002](#)
- [VOSP002 Viewer](#)
- [Pub47 XML Generator](#)

