

TABLE 2.—PRECIPITATION TYPES AND THEIR CONTRACTIONS

Obstructions to vision			
Obstruction	Contraction	Obstruction	Contraction
Volcanic ash.	VOL-CANIC ASH.	Blowing Sand.	BN
Ice Fog ...	IF	Blowing Dust.	BD
Smoke	K	Blowing Spray.	BY
Blowing Snow.	BS	Fog	F
Ground Fog.	GF	Dust	D
Haze	H	

Table 3.—Obstructions to Vision and their Contractions

Examples of Supplementary Data Reports

CAESCDCHS
TTAA00 KCHS DDHHMM
CHS SCD 1758 IP- / 8872// 931024
933009 4/009

This SCD shows the occurrence of weather (ice pellets) along with coded remarks. 8872// indicates overcast low clouds (ragged shreds of stratus or cumulus associated with precipitation) with low cloud base height of 400–600 ft. 931024 represents a 6 hour snowfall amount of 2.4 inches. The water equivalent of snow on the ground was 0.9". The snow depth (4/009) at time of observation was 9 inches.

PHLSCDPHL
TTAA00 KPHL DDHHMM
PHL SCD 0455 70050 400700045

This SCD, issued at midnight EST, is from a WFO which does not have a collocated ASOS. The 24-hour precipitation total (70050) was 0.50 inches water equivalent. The 24-hour maximum and minimum temperatures were 70°F and 45°F respectively.

BISSCDBIS
TTAA00 KBIS DDHHMM
BIS SCD 0755 98096

This SCD from a network sunshine duration station reports 96 minutes of sunshine for the previous calendar day.

STLSDOMCI
TTAA00 KMCI DDHHMM
MCI SDO 0642 IP-

This SDO reports the onset of light ice pellets.

STLSDOMCI
TTAA00 KMCI DDHHMM
MCI SDO 0729 END IP

This SDO reports the cessation of ice pellets.

PHLSDOACY
TTAA00 KACY DDHHMM

ACY SDO 0759 SNOINCR 1/2

This SDO indicates snow depth increase at a rate of more than 0.5 inches/hour. The snow depth increased 1 inch during the past hour. Two inches of snow were on the ground at observation time.

PHLSDOACY
TTAA00 KACY DDHHMM
ACY SDO 2036 HLSTO 3/4

This SDO reports a hail occurrence with the largest observed hailstone size of 3/4 inch.

SEASDOSMP
TTAA00 KSMP DDHHMM
SMP SDO 1756 END IP / RWU CAD
LYR 140 OVC

This SDO was reported from a mountainous site where terrain is problematic. Ice pellets ended. Rain showers of unknown intensity were observed to the southwest. There was a significant overcast cloud layer based at 14,000 feet above the observer's ground level. The "/" remarks separator separates decodable and nondecodable remarks.

DENSODEN
TTAA00 KDEN DDHHMM
DEN SDO 1056 CLD BASES OBSCG
MTNS W

This SDO was also reported from a mountainous site where terrain is problematic. Clouds were observed obscuring mountains to the west.

/D ANC SDO HHMM
ANC SDO 1310 IF=

This SDO shows the initiation of ice fog. Notice that a different communications header and message ending code (=) are used in Alaska.

/D ANC SDO HHMM
ANC SDO 1645 END IF=

This SDO terminates the ice fog event.

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of application for a scientific research permit (P772#67).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92038 (Principal Investigators: Michael F. Tillman, Ph.D. and Rennie S. Holt, Ph.D.) has applied in due form for a permit to take Antarctic pinnipeds for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before January 12, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the Secretary of Commerce is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant proposes to conduct Level B harassment during census survey activities on Southern elephant seals (*Mirounga leonina*) and Antarctic fur seals (*Arctocephalus gazella*). Other animals that may be harassed are Crabeater seals (*Lobodon carcinophagus*), Leopard seals (*Hydrurga leptonyx*), Ross seals (*Ommatophoca rossii*), and Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddellii*). During the 1996 season, up to 200 *A. gazella* will be captured, weighed and released during growth studies at Seal Island. Thereafter, seals may be captured/ released up to 5 times per year for a total take of 500 animals. Up to 3,000 animals may be inadvertently harassed during these activities.

Dated: November 30, 1995.

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