

## Procedures for migration to TDCF\*

### – Insertion of TDCF bulletins and termination of TAC bulletins –

1. The procedures for notifying WWW centres and the Secretariat of the insertion of new BUFR bulletins *to be* inserted into the GTS *and termination of TAC bulletins\*\** within the framework of the migration to TDCF are given hereunder.
2. Each WWW centre is in the zone of responsibility of an RTH, which is associated to an MTN centre (see [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational\\_Information/Publications/WMO\\_386/TransmissionObsData\\_ProcessedInfo\\_en.html](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational_Information/Publications/WMO_386/TransmissionObsData_ProcessedInfo_en.html)).

There are two cases:

- a. The MTN centre is maintaining the part of Volume C1 – Catalogue of Meteorological Bulletins (*WMO No. 9*) – corresponding to the bulletins issued from the zone for which it is responsible for the collection, exchange and distribution of data and/or share this responsibility with the RTHs (not on the MTN) included in its zone of responsibility through regional arrangements (see paragraph 2.1 (h) of Part I of Volume I of the Manual on the GTS). In accordance with these arrangements, the WWW centre should send advanced notifications of the insertion of new bulletins *or termination of TAC bulletins\*\** to its associated RTH or MTN centre. The RTH or MTN centres are responsible for compiling the advanced notifications and to send them to the WMO Secretariat. In this respect, CBS-Ext. (98) agreed on procedures to exchange advanced notifications, in particular to post the advanced notifications into the WMO FTP server (see [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational\\_Information/VolumeC1/ReportsFromMeetings/CBS-Ext98AnnexIII.pdf](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational_Information/VolumeC1/ReportsFromMeetings/CBS-Ext98AnnexIII.pdf)).
  - b. When such arrangements have not yet been defined, the WWW centre should send the advanced notifications to the Secretariat.
3. Advanced notifications shall be sent to the Secretariat at least two months in advance of the effective date of the change (see paragraph 5.1 of Part II of Volume I of the Manual on the GTS).
  4. The Secretariat inserts into the GTS METNO messages including the last advanced notifications. The Secretariat maintains a comprehensive Volume C1 (see [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational\\_Information/VolC1\\_en.html](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational_Information/VolC1_en.html)) on the basis of the advanced notifications and the updated parts of Volume C1 received from the MTN centres every six months. An interactive access to Volume C1 is available from [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational\\_Information/InteractiveAccess/index.html](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/ois/Operational_Information/InteractiveAccess/index.html).
  5. For any further information on the maintenance of Volume C1, WWW centres should send e-mails to [JBest@wmo.int](mailto:JBest@wmo.int)

\* *These procedures are extracted from the report of the Joint Meeting of the Coordination Team on Migration to Table Driven Code Forms and the Expert Team on Data Representation and Codes (Montreal, Canada, 8–12 May 2006).*

\*\* *These procedures are modified as appropriate on termination of TAC bulletins distribution for the purpose of the migration.*