

Aviation Weather Decode Card

//*	Weather is clear or current weather is not detectable
///*	Cloud is detected, no CB / TCU identified
-	Light
(Blank space)	Moderate (when included before a weather phenomenon)
+	Heavy
9999	Visibility 10 km or greater
ABT	About
AC	Alto cumulus
AGL	Above ground level
AIP	Aeronautical Information Package
AIREP	Air report – from aircraft in flight
AMD	Amended
AMSL	Above mean sea level
ARFOR	Area forecast
AS	Altostratus
ATIS	Automatic terminal information service
ATS	Air traffic services
AWIB	Automatic weather information service
AWS	Automatic weather station
BC	Patches
BECMG	Becoming
BKN	Broken (5-7 oktas)
BL	Blowing
BR	Mist
BWR	Basic weather report
CAT	Clear air turbulence
CAVOK	Cloud and visibility OK
CB	Cumulonimbus
CLD	Cloud
CNL	Cancelled
COR	Corrected
CU	Cumulus
DP	Dew point temperature
DR	Drifting

DS	Dust storm
DU	Dust
DZ	Drizzle
EMBD	Embedded
FC	Funnel Cloud
FCST	Forecast
FEW	Few (1 -2 oktas)
FG	Fog (visibility less than 1000 metres)
FIR	Flight information region
FL	Flight level
FM	From
FRQ	Frequent
FU	Smoke
FZ	Freezing
FZL	Freezing level
G	Gusts
GOOD	Visibility greater than 10km over the entire forecast area
GR	Hail (5mm or more)
GS	Hail (smaller than 5 mm)
HVY	Heavy
HZ	Haze
IC	Ice crystals
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organisation
ICE	Icing
IFR	Instrument flight rules
IMC	Instrument meteorological conditions
INTER	Intermittently (less than 30 minutes duration)
ISOL	Isolated
KM	Kilometres
KT	Knots
LYR	Layer
M	Metres
METAR	Aerodrome routine meteorological report
METAR	Automatic aerodrome

AUTO	meteorological report
MI	Shallow
MOD	Moderate
MOV	Moving
MS	Minus
MTW	Mountain waves
NC	No change
NCD	No cloud detected (METAR AUTO Only)
NDV	No directional variation available (METAR AUTO only)
NM	Nautical miles
NOSIG	No significant change
NOTAM	Notice to airmen
NS	Nimbostratus
NSC	No significant cloud
NSW	No significant weather
OBSC	Obscured
OCNL	Occasional
OVC	Overcast (8 oktas)
PIREP	Pilot report
PL	Ice pellets
PO	Dust devils
PR	Partially covered with fog
PROB	Probability
PROV	Provisional
PS	Plus
QNH	Altimeter sub-scale setting
RA	Rain
RE	Recent
RMK	Remark
RVR	Runway visual range
SA	Sand
SC	Stratocumulus
SCT	Scattered (3-4 oktas)
SEV	Severe
SFC	Surface
SG	Snow grains

SH	Shower
SIG	Significant
SIGMET	Significant meteorological information
SKC	Sky Clear
SN	Snow
SPECI	Aerodrome special meteorological report
SQ	Squall
SS	Sandstorm
ST	Stratus
STNR	Stationary
T	Temperature in degrees celcius
TAF	Aerodrome forecast
TC	Tropical cyclone
TCU	Towering cumulus
TEMPO	Temporarily (30 – 60 minutes duration)
TIL	Until
TL	Till
TREND	Trend forecast
TS	Thunderstorm
TURB	Turbulence
UTC	Coordinated universal time
V	Variations from mean wind direction
VA	Volcanic Ash
VC	Vicinity of aerodrome (within 10 NM)
VFR	Visual flight rules
VMC	Visual meteorological conditions
VRB	Variable
WKN	Weakening
WDSPR	Widespread
WS	Windshear
WX	Weather
Z	Coordinated universal time