

Weather Station Symbols

Cloud Coverage

- No Clouds
- 1/10
- 1/4
- 1/2
- 3/4
- 9/10
- Completely Overcast
- Sky Obscured

Wind Speed

- Calm
- < 5 knots
- 5 knots
- 10 knots
- 20 knots
- 25 knots
- 50 knots

Cloud Types

High Elevation

- Scattered Cirrus
- Dense Cirrus
- Cirrostratus
- Heavy Cirrostratus
- Cirrus & Cirrostratus

Middle Elevation

- Thin Altostratus
- Thick Altostratus
- Thin Altostratus
- Heavy Altostratus

Low Elevation

- Stratocumulus
- Fair Weather Cumulus
- Developing Cumulus
- Cumulonimbus
- Cirrocumulus
- Nimbostratus
- Stratus
- Fractostratus

Weather Conditions

INTERMITTENT

	Light	Moderate	Heavy
Rain	•	••	•••
Snow	*	**	***
Drizzle	,	;	;

STEADY

	Light	Moderate	Heavy
Rain	••	•••	••••
Snow	**	**	**
Drizzle	”	”	”

THUNDERSTORMS

	Mild	Moderate	Severe
Rain			
Snow			
Hail			

Other Symbols:

- Hail
- Snow Grains
- Tornado
- Ice Crystals
- Drifting Snow
- Freezing Drizzle
- Light
- Heavy
- Freezing Rain
- Light
- Heavy

Wind Direction

Wind comes FROM the direction of the arrow.

Fronts

- Warm
- Cold
- Stationary
- Occluded
- Warm (Aloft)
- Cold (Aloft)

Air Pressure

- H** High
- L** Low

MISC. SKY COVER

- Haze
- Smoke
- Dust/Sand
- Fog in Patches
- Light Fog
- Heavy Fog

SHOWERS

- Slight Rain
- Moderate/Heavy Rain
- Violent Rain
- Sleet/Hail
- Slight Snow
- Moderate/Heavy Snow

Barometric Tendency

Increase in Air Pressure over Last 3 Hours

- Rising, then Falling
- Rising, then Steady
- Rising Steadily
- Falling, then Rising
- Steady

Decrease in Air Pressure over last 3 Hours

- Falling, then Rising
- Falling, then Steady
- Falling Steadily
- Rising, then Falling

Weather Station Model Demo

- A - Temperature
- B - Present Weather
- C - Dew Point
- D - Low Cloud Type
- E - Pressure Change
- F - Pressure Tendency
- G - Wind Speed & Direction
- H - Barometric Pressure
- I - High Cloud Type
- J - Cloud Coverage

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WIND SPEED KEY

50 + 10 + 10 + 5

1 knot = 1.852 km/h = 1.15 mph

Wind blowing from the west at 75 knots

Wind blowing from the northeast at 25 knots

Wind blowing from the south at 5 knots

Calm winds

Cloud Cover

Symbol Scale in oktas (eighths)

- 0 Sky completely clear
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 Sky half cloudy
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8 Sky completely cloudy
- (9) Sky obstructed from view

Station Model

