

## E.5 Doppler Radar Scientist (On-Board)

The on-board Doppler radar scientist (DRS) is responsible for data collection from all radar systems on his/her assigned aircraft. Detailed operational procedures and check lists are contained in the operator's manual supplied to each operator. General supplementary procedures follow. (Check off and initial.)

### E.5.1 Preflight

- ☒ 1. Determine the status of equipment and report results to the on-board lead project scientist (LPS).
- ☒ 2. Confirm mission and pattern selection from the on-board LPS.
- ☐ 3. Select the operational mode for radar system(s) after consultation with the on-board LPS.
- ☐ 4. Complete the appropriate preflight calibrations and check lists as specified in the radar operator's manual.

### E.5.2 In-Flight

- ☐ 1. Operate the system(s) as specified in the operator's manual and as directed by the on-board LPS or as required for aircraft safety as determined by the AOC flight director or aircraft commander.

### E.5.3 Postflight

- ☐ 1. Complete the summary check lists and all other appropriate check lists and forms.
- ☐ 2. Brief the on-board LPS on equipment status and turn in completed forms to the LPS.
- ☐ 3. Hand-carry all radar tapes and arrange delivery as follows:
  - a. Outside of Miami - to the HRD operations center (FGOC).
  - b. In Miami - to MGOC or to AOML/HRD. [Note: all data removed from the aircraft by HRD personnel should be cleared with the AOC flight director.]
- ☐ 4. Debrief at the appropriate operations center (FGOC or MGOC).
- ☐ 5. Determine the status of future missions and notify the appropriate operations center (FGOC or MGOC) as to where you can be contacted.

**Doppler Radar Scientist Check List**

Flight ID 910713H1  
Aircraft # 42  
Operators Samsory, Marks  
Radar Tech. Salim Leyva

Number of digital magnetic tapes on board 15

Number of tape labels on board \_\_\_\_\_

Component systems up and checked:

|       |                                   |          |                |
|-------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| MARS  | <u>✓</u>                          | Computer | <u>✓</u>       |
| DMTR1 | <u>✓</u>                          | DMTR2    | <u>✓</u>       |
| LF    | <u>✓</u> <i>Changed</i>           | R/T#     | <u>S/A:102</u> |
| TA    | <u>✓</u> <i>R/T from 910712H1</i> | R/T#     | <u>42671</u>   |

Time correction between radar time and digital time \_\_\_\_\_

**Radar Postflight Summary**

|                               |       |          |
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| Number of digital tapes used: | DMTR1 | <u>5</u> |
|                               | DMTR2 | <u>4</u> |

Significant down time: N/A

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| DMTR 1 | _____ | Radar LF | _____ |
| DMTR 2 | _____ | Radar TA | _____ |

Other problems: \_\_\_\_\_



HRD Radar Down-Time Log

Operator \_\_\_\_\_

Sheet \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

| Item | Time Down<br>(HHMMSS) | Time Up<br>(HHMMSS) | Problem |
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Item List: DMTR1, DMTR2, COMP, MARS, LF, TA.

1991 1990  
Jul 13, 1991 : F. Marks, C. Samsury  
TOP 2 : P-3 Part II Barrelling into the Night

FE: 910713H1

Takeoff @ 234917

INEZ being used → changed  
from 910712H1

Reflectivities look better

Recording @ 002030

Tail set to FAST  $\pm 22.0^\circ$   
@ 002330

Approaching 1<sup>st</sup> bit of convection  
005320

Descending 005642

Cruising @ 700 mb 0100

In rain (stratiform variety)  
010430

Lots of scattered conv. 0109

EOT ~0110 (?)  
(1-1)

0128 Still in stratiform rain, more  
"stuff" on radar, but not as  
organized (squall-less) as yesterday.  
Nice to see "fellows" on  
radar pictures.

013034 Turn

013205 Surrounded by convection  
Tops ~ 14 km !!

013715 middle of "ring" of conv. +  
rain.

014100 obs. of a couple of NW-SE  
squalls.

014330 Large precip area to SE<sup>W</sup> of  
A/c (betw 50-100 nm)

EDT (2-1) 014940

Large echo to South of A/c  
015655

020245 Big shear seen in TA.

020430 Plethora of echoes  
seen on radar screen.

020805 FM says we just hit that  
axis.

021400

CP for pattern 10°N 104.5°W  
= (from Kerry)

021600 due W @ ~25 nm from A/c  
A/c motion to West.

021925 turn to N abt

022000 large rain echo  
"leading edge" encountered.

022200 going thru line of storm

022400 In it! Definite shear +  
bright band seen in TA

EDT (1-2) 023218

Turn to South 023745

ODW 1 → 023925

025530 Turn to East

025730 Lots of echoes to the S. of  
A/c

030142 Turn to North  
running @ 105:33:7°W

030415 large echo to NE of  
A/c @ 30 nm.  
Should pass it. by it.

EDT 031827 (2-2)

033000

Seacutter shows sfc wind SE

033125 Squall feature 30 nm  
ENE of A/c as we track  
to N.

033500 rt on edge of A/c  
tracking around conv.

Turn: 034045 → to East

034700 Scattered conv. throughout  
radar screen.

034755 Turn to South  
South @  $105:5^{\circ}W$

ODW @ 034908 bad - lost signal right away

035100 Big Conv. just to our left.

035400 & to our rt.

EOT (1-3) 040817

0400-0416 large stratiform area to west  
good Doppler area

042543 Turn E at  $8^{\circ}40''$   $105^{\circ}3.5''$

043121 Turn N at  $8^{\circ}40''$   $104^{\circ}39''$

ODW 043208 good, But...

0437 ODW system failed with  
sonde in the air.

045005 end Tape 2-3

050930 Turn to E

051655 Turn to S

@  $104:8''$  but

turning around the conv.  
located just to S of A/c

Boredom except that Autopilot  
is out. Bouncy, bouncy, bouncy...

054300 Scattered "blobs" to  
South of A/c

EOT (1-4) 054850

Turn 055600 to E

055845 Rt in middle of big  
precip region w/ line of  
convection included.

Turn to N @ 060220  
@  $103:43^{\circ}W$

Descending 061530

Turn @ 062030

Turn 063415  
EOT 063723 (2-4)

Turn 064900

Turn 070700

Ascending 072400

Retracted radome 0734

EOT 074103 (1-5)

Stop recording 074630

Official end of recording 074103