

Dropsonde Scientist

Flight ID _____ Storm _____ Dropsonde Scientist _____

The lead project scientist (LPS) on the P3 is responsible for determining the distribution patterns for dropwindsonde releases. Predetermined desired data collection patterns are illustrated on the flight patterns. However, these patterns often are required to be altered because of clearance problems, etc. Operational procedures are contained in the operator's manual. On the G-IV the sole HRD person is designated the LPS. The following list contains more general supplementary procedures to be followed. (Check off or initial.)

Preflight

- _____ 1. Determine the status of the AVAPS and HAPS or workstation. Report results to the LPS.
- _____ 2. Confirm the mission and pattern selection with the LPS and assure that enough dropsondes are on board the aircraft.
- _____ 3. Modify the flight pattern or drop locations if requested by AOC to accommodate changes in storm location or closeness to land.
- _____ 4. Complete the appropriate preflight set-up and checklists.

In-Flight

- _____ 1. Operate the system as specified in the operator's manual.
- _____ 2. Ensure the AOC flight director is aware of upcoming drops.
- _____ 3. Ensure the AVAPS operator has determined that the dropsonde is (or is not) transmitting a good signal. Recommend if a backup dropsonde should be launched in case of failure.
- _____ 4. Report the transmission of each drop and fill in the Dropwindsonde Scientist Log.

Post flight

- _____ 1. Complete Dropwindsonde Scientist Log.
- _____ 2. Brief the LPS on equipment status and turn in completed forms, dropwindsonde data tapes, DVDs, or CDs.
[Note: all data removed from the aircraft by HRD personnel should be cleared with the AOC flight director.]
- _____ 4. Debrief at the base of operations.
- _____ 5. Determine the status of future missions and notify MGOC as to where you can be contacted.

N42/3RF HRD GPS Dropwindsonde Scientist Log (Revised 5/2002)

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 Flight ID 20180927H1 Flight Director Searys Takeoff from Libena at 1300 UTC
 Mission ID WBWXP AVAPS Operators MAC Recovery at _____ at _____ UTC
Genesis

Drop #	Sonde ID #	Time (UTC)	Lat (°N)	Lon (°W)	Surface Pressure (mb)	Wind closest to surface dir/spd hgt (kt/m/s) (m)	BT SST (°C)	Eye, Eyewall, Rainband (direction)	Comments	Ob #
1	122225066	1449	12.49	94.50	1009.3	95/16.1 10			IR sonde IP	01
2	163455113	1502	12.42	95.53	1010.0	71/14.8 10				02
3	163025043	1515	12.50	96.50	1009.4	68/14.5 10				03
4	122225078	1528	12.50	97.49	1010.1	57/17.2 10			IR sonde	04
5	163615065	1549	11.54	97.38	1009.5	28/4.3 10				05
6	164545036	1604	10.50	97.50	1008.9	— —			fast fall no data	
7	164625174	1608	10.17	97.5	1009.3	308/4 10				06
8	122225062	1618	9.50	97.5	1008.8	287/5.7 10			IR sonde	07
9	163025040	1632	9.49	96.5	1009.1	260/8.5 10				08
10	164625189	1633	9.49	96.43	1008.7	250/7.6 10				09
11	164515111	1645	9.50	95.5	1008.8	214/6.2 10				10
12	122225075	1659	9.51	94.5	1008.2	201/6.8 10			IR sonde	11
13	163025057	1713	10.50	94.5	1009.2	63/4.6 10				12
14	163255029	1726	11.48	94.5	1009.5	114/7.2 10				13
15	164015187	1739	11.5	95.5	1009.1	90/10 10				14
16	163255047	1752	11.5	96.45	1008.6	49/9.2 10				15
17	154215118	1806	10.5	96.49	1007.9	143/2.4 10				16
18	164015164	1818	10.5	95.63	1008.2	151/2.7 10				17