# CMIP6 Model Documentation

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**Note**: \* indicates a required property

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# 1 Key Properties

Land ice key properties

# 1.1.1 Top level properties

Land ice key properties

#### 1.1.1.1 Name \*

Name of landice model code

Enter TEXT:

## 1.1.1.2 Keywords \*

Keywords associated with landice model code

Enter COMMA SEPARATED list:

#### 1.1.1.3 Overview \*

Overview of landice model.

Enter TEXT:

#### 1.1.1.4 Ice Albedo \*

Specify how ice albedo is modelled

#### Select MULTIPLE options:

Г	٦	Drogorihod
	1	Prescribed

Function of ice age

Function of ice density

Other - please specify:

#### 1.1.1.5 Atmospheric Coupling Variables \*

 $Which \ variables \ are \ passed \ between \ the \ atmosphere \ and \ ice \ (e.g. \ orography, \ ice \ mass)$ 

Enter COMMA SEPARATED list:

#### 1.1.1.6 Oceanic Coupling Variables \*

Which variables are passed between the ocean and ice

Enter COMMA SEPARATED list:

# 1.1.1.7 Prognostic Variables \* Which variables are prognostically calculated in the ice model Select MULTIPLE options:

☐ Ice velocity
☐ Ice thickness
☐ Ice temperature
☐ Other - please specify:

# 1.2.1 Software Properties

Software properties of land ice code

#### 1.2.1.1 Repository

Location of code for this component.

Enter TEXT:

#### 1.2.1.2 Code Version

 $Code\ version\ identifier.$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### 1.2.1.3 Code Languages

 $Code\ language(s).$ 

Enter COMMA SEPARATED list:

# 1.3.1 Tuning Applied

Tuning methodology for land ice component

#### 1.3.1.1 Description \*

General overview description of tuning (if any): explain and motivate the main targets and metrics retained. and Document the relative weight given to climate performance metrics versus process oriented metrics, and and on the possible conflicts with parameterization level tuning. In particular describe any struggle and with a parameter value that required pushing it to its limits to solve a particular model deficiency.

Enter TEXT:

# 2 Grid

Land ice grid

# 2.1.1 Top level properties

Land ice grid

#### 2.1.1.1 Name

 $Name\ of\ grid\ in\ landice\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### **2.1.1.2** Overview

 $Overview\ of\ grid\ in\ landice\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### 2.1.1.3 Adaptive Grid \*

 ${\it Is \ an \ adative \ grid \ being \ used?}$ 

Select either TRUE or FALSE:

☐ True ☐ False

# 2.1.1.4 Base Resolution \*

The base resolution (in metres), before any adaption

Enter FLOAT value:

#### 2.1.1.5 Resolution Limit

If an adaptive grid is being used, what is the limit of the resolution (in metres)

Enter FLOAT value:

#### 2.1.1.6 Projection \*

The projection of the land ice grid (e.g.  $albers\_equal\_area$ )

Enter TEXT:

# 3 Glaciers

Land ice glaciers

# 3.1.1 Top level properties

Land ice glaciers

#### 3.1.1.1 Name

 $Commonly\ used\ name\ for\ the\ glaciers\ in\ landice\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### 3.1.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ land\ ice\ glaciers\ in\ landice\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### 3.1.1.3 Description \*

 $Describe\ the\ treatment\ of\ glaciers,\ if\ any$ 

Enter TEXT:

# 3.1.1.4 Dynamic Areal Extent

 $Does\ the\ model\ include\ a\ dynamic\ glacial\ extent?$ 

Select either TRUE or FALSE:

☐ True ☐ False

4 Ice			
Ice sheet and ice shelf			
4.1.1 Top level properties			
Ice sheet and ice shelf			
4.1.1.1 Name			
Commonly used name for the ice in landice model.			
Enter TEXT:			
4.1.1.2 Overview			
Overview of ice sheet and ice shelf in landice model.			
Enter TEXT:			
4.1.1.3 Grounding Line Method *  Specify the technique used for modelling the grounding line in the ice sheet-ice shelf coupling			
Select SINGLE option:			
Grounding line prescribed			
Flux prescribed (Schoof)			
Fixed grid size			
☐ Moving grid			
Other - please specify:			
4.1.1.4 Ice Sheet *			
Are ice sheets simulated?			
Select either TRUE or FALSE:			
☐ True ☐ False			
4.1.1.5 Ice Shelf *			
Are ice shelves simulated?			
Select either TRUE or FALSE:			
$\square$ True $\square$ False			

# 4.2.1 Mass Balance

Description of the surface mass balance treatment

#### 4.2.1.1 Surface Mass Balance \*

 $Describe\ how\ and\ where\ the\ surface\ mass\ balance\ (SMB)\ is\ calulated.\ Include\ the\ temporal\ coupling\ frequeny\ from\ the\ atmosphere,\ whether\ or\ not\ a\ seperate\ SMB\ model\ is\ used,\ and\ if\ so\ details\ of\ this\ model,\ such\ as\ its\ resolution$ 

Enter TEXT:

#### 4.2.2 Basal

Description of basal melting

#### **4.2.2.1** Bedrock

Describe the implementation of basal melting over bedrock

Enter TEXT:

#### 4.2.2.2 Ocean

Describe the implementation of basal melting over the ocean

Enter TEXT:

#### 4.2.3 Frontal

Description of claving/melting from the ice shelf front

### 4.2.3.1 Calving

Describe the implementation of calving from the front of the ice shelf

Enter TEXT:

## 4.2.3.2 Melting

Describe the implementation of melting from the front of the ice shelf

Enter TEXT:

# 4.3.1 Dynamics

#### 4.3.1.1 Description \*

General description of ice sheet and ice shelf dynamics

Enter TEXT:

4.3.1.2 Approximation *
Approximation type used in modelling ice dynamics
Select MULTIPLE options:
□ SIA
□ SAA
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Other - please specify:
4.3.1.3 Adaptive Timestep *  Is there an adaptive time scheme for the ice scheme?  Select either TRUE or FALSE:
True
Timestep (in seconds) of the ice scheme. If the timestep is adaptive, then state a representative timestep.
Enter INTEGER value: