Symbol	METAR Code	Description		
Dust or sand				
٣	FU VA	Smoke or volcanic Ash		
<b>∞</b>	HZ	Haze		
S	DU SA	Dust or sand		
\$	BLDU BLSA	Blowing dust or sand		
8	PO	Dust devil		
( <del>S</del> )	VCSS	Vicinity sand storm		
Fog or special weather				
=	BR	Mist or light fog		
<u></u>	MIFG	More or less continuous shallow fog		
ζ	VCTS	Vicinity thunderstorm		
٠	VIRGA	Virga or precipitation not hitting ground		
(•)	VCSH	Vicinity showers		
ß	TS	Thunderstorm with or without precipitation		
A	SQ	Squalls		
K	FC	Funnel cloud or tornado		

## **Blowing weather**

SS Sand or dust storm

+SS Strong sand or dust storm

BLSN Blowing snow

→ DRSN Drifting snow

Fog

(E) VCFG Vicinity fog

**BCFG** Patchy fog

**\_\_** PRFG Fog, sky discernable

**=** FG Fog, sky undiscernable

**¥** FZFG Freezing fog

Drizzle

-DZ Light drizzle

DZ Moderate drizzle

+DZ Heavy drizzle

-FZDZ Light freezing drizzle

FZDZ +FZDZ Moderate to heavy freezing drizzle

-DZRA Light drizzle and rain

DZRA Moderate to heavy drizzle and rain

Rain

-RA Light drizzle and rain

RA Moderate rain

+RA Heavy rain

-FZRA Light freezing rain

FZRA +FZRA Moderate to heavy freezing rain

-RASN Light rain and snow

RASN +RASN Moderate to heavy rain and snow

## Snow and misc. frozen precipitation

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-SN Light snow

SN Moderate snow

+SN Heavy snow

SG Snow grains

→ IC Ice crystals

△ PE PL Ice pellets

## **Showery precipitation**

$\overset{\bullet}{\triangledown}$	-SHRA	Light rain showers
$\overset{\bullet}{\forall}$	SHRA +SHRA	Moderate to heavy rain showers
<b>*</b> ▼	-SHRASN	Light rain and snow showers
<b>*</b> ♥	SHRASN +SHRASN	Moderate to heavy rain and snow showers
*	-SHSN	Light snow showers
*	SHSN +SHSN	Moderate to heavy snow showers
$\Diamond$	-GR	Light showers with hail, not with thunder
₹	GR	Moderate to heavy showers with hail, not with thunder

## **Thunderstorms**

Ů	TSRA	Light to moderate thunderstorm with rain
Ŕ	TSGR	Light to moderate thunderstorm with hail
ţ	+TSRA	Thunderstorm with heavy rain