

# Explanation of Radiosonde Code (Ft McKinley).

cf. Aug of July 1.

1) 3333 - Simply indicates radiosonde data follow.

2) 21104. 211 is station number (i.e. of Ft. McKinley)  
04 is ~~time~~ Time G.C.T. (norm in P.L.)

3) 00430. 004. Add 1000 to get surface pressure in mb. if ~~over~~ 1000.0 or over.  
otherwise these 3 figures give hundreds, tens & digits of mb. pressure.  
30 Temperature in °C.

4) 59040. 59 is relative humidity in tens & digits.  
040 is simply a code statement of units used. X, X, X.  
0 says unit of height is feet & degree Cent.  
4 " wind unit is knots.  
0 " mixing ratio is gr./Kg.

5) 03009 0 signifies this is a wind group.  
300 is direction in degrees, N to E to S etc.  
09 is velocity in knots.

6) 00023. This starts the <sup>mandatory</sup> levels data.  
00 is 1000 mb. level.  
023 is height in thousands, hundreds, tens. Hence  
230 ft. (i.e. 1000 mb. level is at ht of 230 ft).

7) 30659 30. Temp. in degr. C.  
6 Humidity in tens, i.e. 60% to 69%. cf. (10) at this low height  
59 mixing ratio in digits & tenths, Add 10. 15.9 gr/Kg.

8) 02514 0 denotes wind group. cf (5)  
25 is direction in tens of degrees, i.e. 250°  
14 is wind velocity i.e. 14 knots.

9) 85492 85 is for 850 mb. <sup>mandatory</sup> level of pressure. cf (6).  
492 is ht in thousands, hundreds, tens of ft i.e. 4920 ft.

10) 27794 cf. 7). 27 Temp. in degr C.  
7 Humidity 70-79, N.B. 1 = 0-19° Rel. hum.  
94 is mixing ratio. 9.4 gr/Kg. 9 = 90-94 " "  
0 = 95-100 " "

11) 02608 cf. 8). wind group.

12) 70033. 70 cf 9.0 N.B. 033 must be 10,330 ft.

13) 12680 cf. 10)

14) 03607 cf. 11)

15) 50929

18) 30200

20) 20116

23) 11199

Starts the 500 mb. level group. 16) - 17) as 7) - 8)  
Starts the 300 mb. level " 19) - 20) " 7) - 8)  
" " 200 " " 22) as 7). wind group missing.  
End of mandatory, beginning of significant levels.  
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