

SIGMET

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Refer to <http://www.bom.gov.au/aviation/data/education/awp-sigmet.pdf> for full details of the changes

1. Vertical extent

CURRENT	NEW
Abbreviation A (altitude) for levels up to and including 10 000 feet BLW A100	Feet for levels below 10 000 feet SFC/9000FT BLW will not be used
Abbreviation FL (flight level) for levels above 10 000 feet FL110	Abbreviation FL (flight level) for levels at and above 10 000 feet FL110 Only FL will be used for SIGMETs which extend through transition level (10 000 feet) FL080/250

2. Sequence number

CURRENT	NEW
Four characters consisting of a two-letter location designator followed by a two-digit (sequence) number SY01	Three characters consisting of a single alpha character (identifying the event) followed by a two-digit number providing a sequential count of the number of SIGMETs issued for the event B01

3. The format of the last line of the SIGMET

CURRENT	NEW
STS is the prefix for the last line of SIGMET STS: REV SIGMET SY01 192100/200100	RMK will be the prefix for the last line of SIGMET. Location designator will be given. If required, reference to same event in adjoining FIR will be given RMK: BN REV B01 192100/200100 SEE ALSO YMMM D01

4. Issuing a single SIGMET per phenomenon per FIR

CURRENT	NEW
Each Regional Forecasting Centre issues SIGMET for their own region – leads to multiple SIGMET for one phenomenon	Single SIGMET per phenomenon per FIR will be issued