

Tier 2 data files (gridded data): Delivery Instructions

- 1) Files should be named using the following naming convention:

Global

<mdl>_<h,d><vvvv>_<yyyymmddhh>.grb

Regional

<mdl>_<h,d><vvvv>_<yyyymmddhh>_<basin><cyclone number><YYYY>.grb

where,

<mdl> = assigned model ATCF ID

<h,d> = use “h” to designate historical or retrospective forecasts and “d” for demo or quasi-real-time forecasts.

<vvvv> = use this 4-letter identifier to indicate the version of your model used to generate the forecast. This identifier can be as simple as the year in which you generated the forecast or a more sophisticated identifier that is directly connected to your group’s method for tracking model versions. Please provide information on how to translate this identifier. Also, please keep the <h,d><vvvv> consistent with the corresponding Tier 1 data that has been or will be delivered.

<yyyymmddhh> = date/time of forecast initialization.

<basin> = ocean basin abbreviation corresponding to location of the storm

al = North Atlantic basin, north of the Equator

sl = South Atlantic basin, north of the Equator

ep = North East Pacific basin, eastward of 140°W

cp = North Central Pacific basin, between the dateline and 140°W

wp = North West Pacific basin, westward of the dateline

io = North Indian Ocean basin, north of the Equator, between 40°E and 100 E

sh = South Pacific Ocean basin and South Indian Ocean basin

<cyclone number> = 01 – 49, 80 – 89 “training/test”, 90 – 99 “invests”

<YYYY> = year portion of the full ATCF ID for the storm – year of the hurricane (e.g., 2010)

- 2) Files should be on the jet (NOAA/GSD). You will need an account on this system; please contact your data manager if you need assistance in setting up an account.

Delivery to jet:

There are two available methods of delivery to jet. The first is to have the files in a directory of your choosing and inform your data manager of the path to where the files reside.

The second method of delivery is to copy the data files directly to the tcmt project directory (/lfs1/projects/tcmt/tier2).

Helpful advice regarding file transfer to jet:

If you need to open an account on jet, download the application form from http://rdhpcs.noaa.gov/boulder/hpcs_applications.html. Fax the completed application to 303-497-7259, attention Lee Cohen and ask to be added to the tcmt project group. Requesting to be a member of the tcmt group is only valid for file transfer purposes; it is not a valid option for actual computing on jet (running the model, post-processing, etc.).

Once your user ID has been enabled and you are a member of the tcmt group, you will need to transfer secure ssh keys that you generate on the system currently holding your Tier 2 data files to jetscp, a file-transfer frontend system for jet. To generate your secure ssh keys perform the following on the system currently holding your Tier 2 data files:

a) on your chosen host (where your Tier 2 data currently resides):

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ssh-keygen -t dsa  
cat ~/.ssh/*dsa*
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b) copy and paste the output of cat into an e-mail and send it to hpcshelp.fsl@noaa.gov, requesting installation into jetscp

Once the key installation is complete you can scp files to the tcmt project directory via jetscp by executing (locally) a command such as:

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scp some_file jetscp.rdhpcs.noaa.gov:/lfs1/projects/tcmt/tier2/
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