

GEN 2. TABLES AND CODES

GEN 2.1 MEASURING SYSTEM, AIRCRAFT MARKINGS, HOLIDAYS

1. Units of measurement

The table of units of measurement shown below will be used by aeronautical stations within the Namibian FIR for air and ground operations.

For measurement of	Units used
Distance used in navigation, position reporting, etc. - generally in excess of 2 nautical miles	Nautical Miles and tenths
Relatively short distances such as those relating to airports (e.g. runway lengths)	Metres
Altitudes, elevations and heights	Feet
Horizontal speed including wind speed	Knots
Vertical speed	Feet per minute
Wind direction for landing and taking off	Degrees Magnetic
Wind direction except for landing and taking off	Degrees True
Visibility including runway visual range	Kilometres or metres
Altimeter setting	Hectopascal
Temperature	Degrees Celsius
Weight	Metric tons or Kilograms
Time	Hours and minutes, beginning at midnight UTC

2. Temporal Reference System

2.1 General

2.1.1 Co-ordinated Universal Time (UTC) is used by air navigation services and in publications issued by the Aeronautical Information Service. Reporting of time is expressed to the nearest minute, e.g. 12:40:35 is reported as 1241. Time checks to aircraft are accurate to within 5 seconds.

2.1.2 In the AIP and associated publications, the expression "winter period" will indicate that part of the year in which "daylight saving time" is in force. The other part of the year will be named "summer period". Daylight saving time in Namibia is UTC plus

1 hour. The "winter period" will be introduced every year on the first Sunday in APR at 0100 UTC and it will cease on the first Sunday in SEP at 0100 UTC. Times applicable during the "winter period" are given in brackets. Local time in Namibia is UTC plus 2 hours during the "summer period" and UTC plus 1 hour during the "winter period".

3. Geodetic reference datum

3.1 All published geographical coordinates are expressed in term of the World Geodetic System - 1984 (WGS-84).

3.2 Coordinates are expressed in degrees, minutes and seconds, and, if required, tenths/hundredths of a

second with the cardinal point last; e.g. 223432.80S
0170440.22E.

4. Aircraft nationality and registration markings

The nationality mark for aircraft registered in Namibia is V5. The nationality mark is followed by a hyphen and a registration mark consisting of letters e.g. V5-ABC.

5. Public holidays

Name	Date/Day
New Year's Day	01 January
Independence Day	21 March
Good Friday	19 April
Easter Day	21 April
Easter Monday	22 April
May Day	01 May
Cassinga Day	04 May
Africa Day	25 May
Ascension Day	30 May
Heroes' Day	26 August
International Human Rights Day	10 December
Christmas Day	25 December
Family Day	26 December

Note: When a public holiday falls on a Sunday the following Monday shall also be a public holiday unless that Monday is a public holiday. Some administrative services may not be available and banks and other institutions may not be open on these days.