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**AGENDA ITEM 7: PROCEDURAL AND COORDINATION ASPECTS**

**AGENDA ITEM 7.1: Amendments to the Technical Regulations (WMO-No. 49), Appendix to General Provisions**

# procedures for AMENDing THE TECHNICAL REGULATIONS (WMO-NO. 49), their annexes, guides and other corresponding non-regulatory publications

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| **Summary** |
| **Document presented by:** Secretary-General, advised by the presidents of SERCOM and INFCOM, to recommend unified procedures for producing, amending and publishing the *Technical* *Regulations*, their annexes, guides and other corresponding non-regulatory publications in accordance with [Decision 15 (EC-75)](https://meetings.wmo.int/EC-75/English/2.%20PROVISIONAL%20REPORT%20(Approved%20documents)/EC-75-d05-3(2)-APPROVAL-OF-NON-REGULATORY-PUBLICATIONS-approved_en.docx?Web=1) - Concept note on the designation of technical commissions for approval of non-regulatory publications.  **Strategic objective 2020–2023:** 5.1 Optimize WMO constituent body structure for more effective decision-making.  **Financial and administrative implications:** within the parameters of the Strategic and Operational Plans 2020–2023.  **Key implementers:** SERCOM, INFCOM  **Time frame:** 2022,19th World Meteorological Congress  **Action expected:** to adopt [Draft Decision 7.1/1 (INFCOM-2)](#_Draft_Decision_7.1/1) to concur with Draft Recommendation 5.1(2)/1 (SERCOM-2) |

# DRAFT DECISION

## Draft Decision 7.1/1 (INFCOM-2)

### Procedures for amending the *Technical Regulations* (WMO-No. 49), their annexes, Guides and other corresponding non-regulatory publications

THE COMMISSION FOR OBSERVATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS,

**Recalling** General Provisions of the[*Technical Regulations*](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=14073) (WMO-No. 49), Volume I, [Recommendation 11 (INFCOM-1)](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=21866), and [Recommendation 17 (INFCOM-1)](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=11197/#page=389),

**Recalling** further [Decision 15 (EC-75)](https://meetings.wmo.int/EC-75/English/2.%20PROVISIONAL%20REPORT%20(Approved%20documents)/EC-75-d05-3(2)-APPROVAL-OF-NON-REGULATORY-PUBLICATIONS-approved_en.docx?Web=1) - Concept note on the designation of technical commissions for approval of non-regulatory publications,

**Having considered** [Draft Recommendation 5.1(2)/1 (SERCOM-2),](https://meetings.wmo.int/SERCOM-2/English/Forms/AllItems.aspx?RootFolder=%2FSERCOM%2D2%2FEnglish%2F1%2E%20DRAFTS%20FOR%20DISCUSSION&FolderCTID=0x012000A60A2C5B5006AA41980F5F2A7BA92166&View=%7B1EB384EC%2D8FE1%2D4B79%2DB8F9%2DA0AEB19C9F87%7D)

**Considering** the need to define unified procedures for producing and amending the [*Technical Regulations*](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=14073) (WMO-No. 49), their annexes, Guides and ‘other guidance materials that correspond to the regulatory framework,’ herein referred to as ‘other corresponding non-regulatory publications,’

**Invites** Members to review and provide the Secretariat with feedback to the draft unified procedures, attached as Annex 1 to the said Recommendation, by 30 November 2022, to enable the Secretary-General to finalize the document in consultation with the presidents of the technical commissions, for consideration the by Executive Council at its forthcoming session in February 2023;

**Decides to** concur with [Draft Recommendation 5.1(2)/1 (SERCOM-2)](https://meetings.wmo.int/SERCOM-2/English/Forms/AllItems.aspx?RootFolder=%2FSERCOM%2D2%2FEnglish%2F1%2E%20DRAFTS%20FOR%20DISCUSSION&FolderCTID=0x012000A60A2C5B5006AA41980F5F2A7BA92166&View=%7B1EB384EC%2D8FE1%2D4B79%2DB8F9%2DA0AEB19C9F87%7D), which recommends the Executive Council to approve the unified procedures for amending the *Technical Regulations*, their annexes, guides and other corresponding non-regulatory publications for inclusion in the *[Rules of Procedure for Technical Commissions](https://library.wmo.int/doc_num.php?explnum_id=11202)* (WMO-No. 1240) attached as Annex 1 to the said Recommendation, and to approve the removal of General Provisions, reproduced in certain Manuals, as well as related Appendix “Procedures for amending WMO Manuals and Guides that are the responsibility of the Commission for Observation, Infrastructure and Information Systems” from the following manuals: *[Manual on Codes](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=10684)* (WMO-No. 306), *[Manual on the Global Telecommunication Syst](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=21811)*[em](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=21811) (WMO-No. 386), *[Manual on the Global Data-processing and Forecasting System](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=12793)* (WMO-No. 485), *[Manual on the WMO Information System](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=9254)* (WMO-No. 1060), and *[Manual on the WMO Integrated Global Observing System](https://library.wmo.int/index.php?lvl=notice_display&id=19223)* (WMO-No. 1160);

**Further invites** Members to review and provide Secretariat feedback on the list of regulatory and non-regulatory publications to be amended or developed by the technical commissions for inclusion in the list of mandatory publications in the nineteenth financial period, attached as Annex 2 to the said Recommendation, by 30 November 2022, for consideration by the Nineteenth World Meteorological Congress.

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