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| Submitted by:Chair of SC-IMT26.II.2024**DRAFT 1** |

**AGENDA ITEM 8: TECHNICAL DECISIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM 8.3: WMO Information System**

# amendments to the manual on codes (WMO-No. 306)

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| **Summary** |
| **Document presented by:** Chair of SC-IMT,**Strategic objective 2024–2027:** 2.2,**Financial and administrative implications:** within the parameters of the Strategic and Operating Plans 2024–2027,**Key implementers:** INFCOM,**Time frame:** 2024–2027,**Action expected:** review the proposed draft recommendation. |

# DRAFT RECOMMENDATION

## Draft Recommendation 8.3(7)/1 (INFCOM-3)

### Amendments of the Manual on Codes (WMO-No. 306)

THE COMMISSION FOR OBSERVATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS,

**Recalling** [Resolution 34 (EC-76)](https://library.wmo.int/idviewer/66258/1147) - Implementation plan update of the WMO Information System 2.0,

**Noting**

1. The migration plan from the Global Telecommunication System (GTS) to WIS 2.0 that is accelerating the implementation of BUFR,
2. The very limited use of CREX format by Members in the operational data exchange,
3. That the development of new CREX codes has ceased for many years due to the absence of requests by Members,

**Having considered** the[General summary of the work of the session (Cg-XIV)](https://library.wmo.int/idviewer/58742/26), stating that the use of CREX was an interim step in the migration to BUFR,

**Recommends** to the Executive Council the adoption of the amendments of the[*Manual on Codes*](https://library.wmo.int/records/item/35713-manual-on-codes-volume-i-1-international-codes)(WMO-No. 306)throughthe draft resolution provided in the [annex](#_Annex_to_draft) to the present Recommendation.

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## Annex to draft Recommendation 8.3(7)/1 (INFCOM-3)

**Draft Resolution ##/1 (EC-##)**

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL,

**Recalling** [Resolution 34 (EC-76)](https://library.wmo.int/idviewer/66258/1147) - Implementation plan update of the WMO Information System 2.0,

**Having considered** the[General summary of the work of the session (Cg-XIV)](https://library.wmo.int/idviewer/58742/26), stating that the use of CREX was an interim step in the migration to BUFR,

**Having examined** Recommendation 8.3(7)/1 (INFCOM-3),

**Having agreed** Recommendation 8.3(7)/1 (INFCOM-3),

**Decides:**

1. To adopt the amendments to the [*Manual on Codes*](https://library.wmo.int/records/item/35713-manual-on-codes-volume-i-1-international-codes)(WMO-No. 306) reported in the annex to the present resolution;
2. That the CREX tables in the [*Manual on Codes*](https://library.wmo.int/records/item/35625-manual-on-codes-volume-i-2-international-codes?offset=1) (WMO-No. 306), Vol. I.2 – International Codes will no longer be updated;

**Requests** the Secretary-General to publish the Manual on Codes (WMO-No. 306) amended according to the annex;

[Annex: 1](#Annex_Res)

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## Annex to draft Resolution 8.3(7)/1 (INFCOM-3)

## Amendments to the Manual on Codes (WMO-No. 306)

The [*Manual on Codes*](https://library.wmo.int/records/item/35625-manual-on-codes-volume-i-2-international-codes?offset=1) (WMO-No. 306) Vol. I.2 – International Codes, is amended by adding the following text to the description of FM 95 CREX.

**FM 95–XIV CREX Character form for the representation and exchange of data**

The use of CREX form is strongly discouraged, and the CREX tables will no longer be updated. BUFR should be used instead of CREX.

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