

# Weather Abbreviations and Codes Used in *Itasca* Logs

Wind: Beaufort Scale			
<i>Force of Wind</i>		<i>Velocity</i>	
		<i>Statute miles per hour</i>	<i>Nautical miles per hour</i>
<b>0</b>	Calm. Full-rigged ship, all sail set, little or no headway.	0 to 3	0 to 2.6
<b>1</b>	Light Air. Just sufficient to give steerage way.	8	6.9
<b>2</b>	Light Breeze. Speed of 1 or 2 knots, "full and by."	13	11.3
<b>3</b>	Gentle Breeze. Speed of 3 or 4 knots, "full and by."	18	15.6
<b>4</b>	Moderate Breeze. Speed of 5 or 6 knots, "full and by."	23	20.0
<b>5</b>	Fresh Breeze. All plain sail, "full and by."	28	24.3
<b>6</b>	Strong Breeze. Topgallant sails over single-reefed topsails.	34	29.5
<b>7</b>	Moderate Gale. Double-reefed topsails.	40	34.7
<b>8</b>	Fresh Gale. Treble-reefed topsails (or reefed upper topsails and courses).	48	41.6
<b>9</b>	Strong Gale. Close-reefed topsails and courses (or lower topsails and courses).	56	48.6
<b>10</b>	Whole Gale. Close-reefed main topsail and reefed foresail (or lower main topsail and reefed foresail).	65	56.4
<b>11</b>	Storm. Storm staysails.	75	65.1
<b>12</b>	Hurricane. Under bare poles.	90 and over	78.1 and over

Weather by Symbols			
<b>b</b>	Blue sky, cloudless	<b>o</b>	Overcast
<b>bc</b>	Blue sky with detached clouds	<b>p</b>	Passing showers of rain
<b>c</b>	Sky mainly cloudy	<b>q</b>	Squally weather
<b>d</b>	Drizzling, or light rain	<b>w</b>	Rainy weather, or continuous rain
<b>e</b>	Wet air, without rain	<b>s</b>	Snow, snowy weather, or snow falling
<b>f</b>	Fog, or foggy weather	<b>t</b>	Thunder
<b>g</b>	Gloomy, or dark, stormy-looking weather	<b>u</b>	Ugly appearance, or threatening weather
<b>h</b>	Hail	<b>v</b>	Variable weather
<b>l</b>	Lightning	<b>w</b>	Wet, or heavy dew
<b>m</b>	Misty weather	<b>z</b>	Hazy weather

## Visibility:

- 0= Prominent objects not visible at 50 yards.
- 1= Prominent objects not visible at 200 yards.
- 2= Prominent objects not visible at 500 yards.
- 3= Prominent objects not visible at ½ mile.
- 4= Prominent objects not visible at 1 miles.
- 5= Prominent objects not visible at 2 miles.
- 6= Prominent objects not visible at 4 miles.
- 7= Prominent objects not visible at 7 miles.
- 8= Prominent objects not visible at 20 miles.
- 9= Prominent objects visible above 20 miles.