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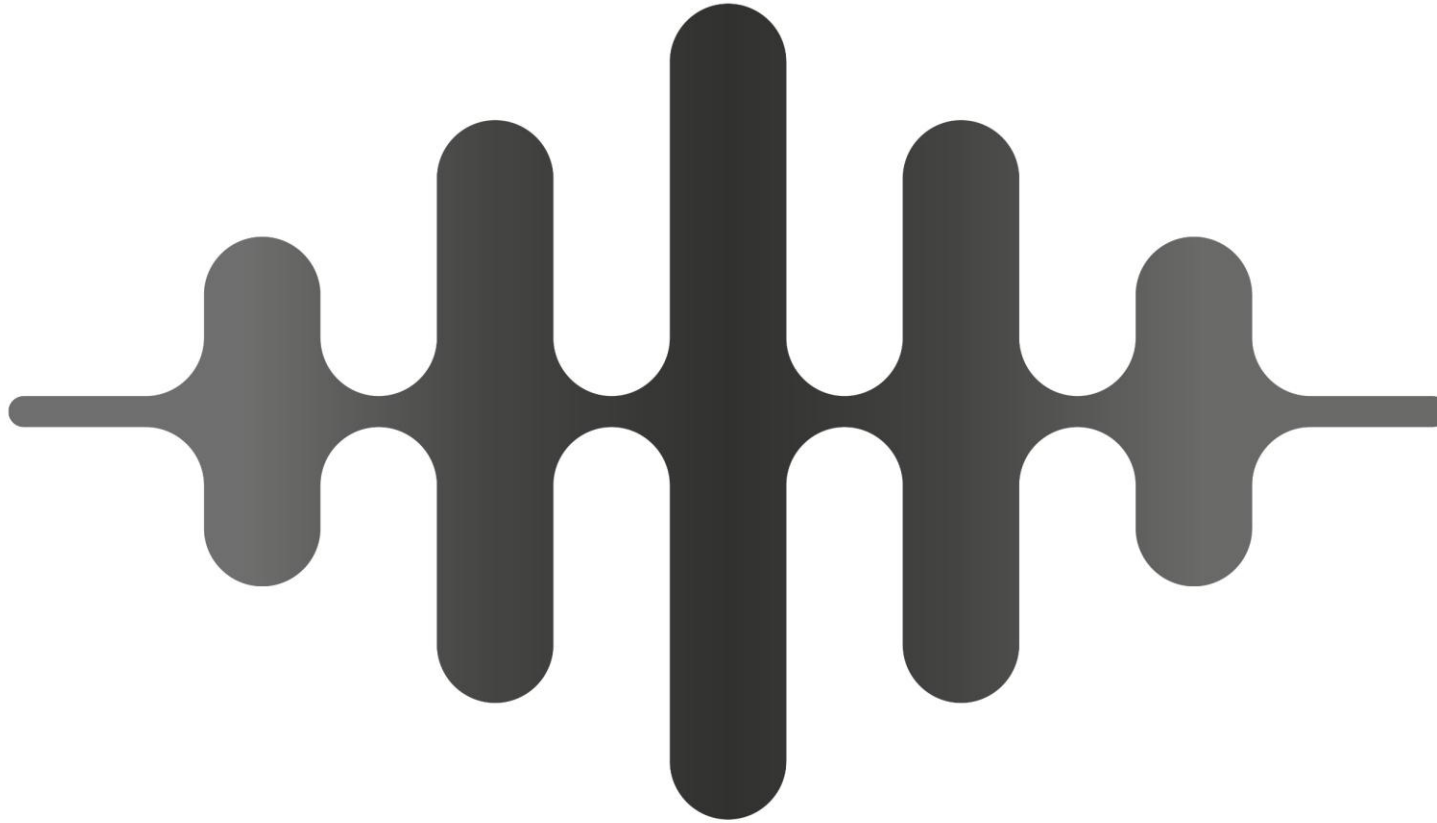

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How to update the *List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations (*List IV)

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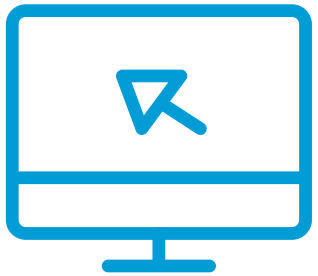
Coast station information resources

A coast station is a land station in the maritime mobile service (RR 1.75)



MARS

Maritime mobile Access and Retrieval System



List IV

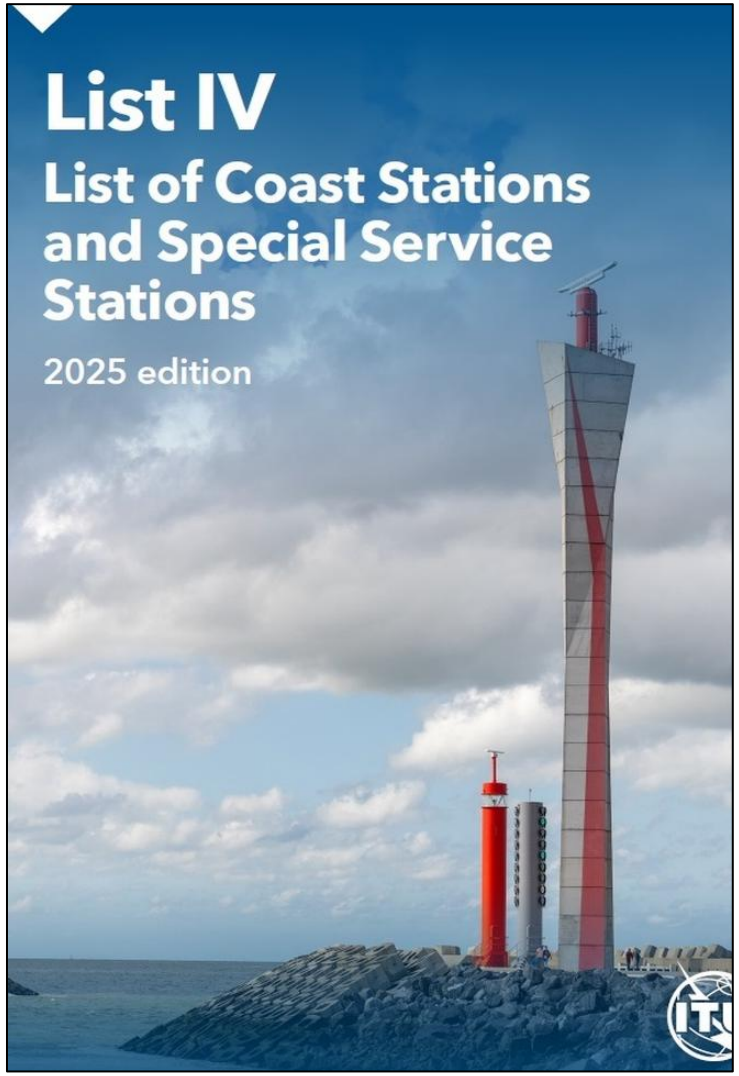
List of Coast Stations and Special Service Stations

List IV (Coast stations)

Contains important information for mariners including the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)

- RCC (Rescue Coordination Centres), SAR agencies
- Frequencies for transmitting and receiving
- Geographical coordinates
- Medical advice services
- Navigational and meteorological warnings
- MSI (Maritime Safety Information)
- Port stations, pilot stations, coast Earth stations, VTS stations

List IV Published every 2 years



Ship station document requirements

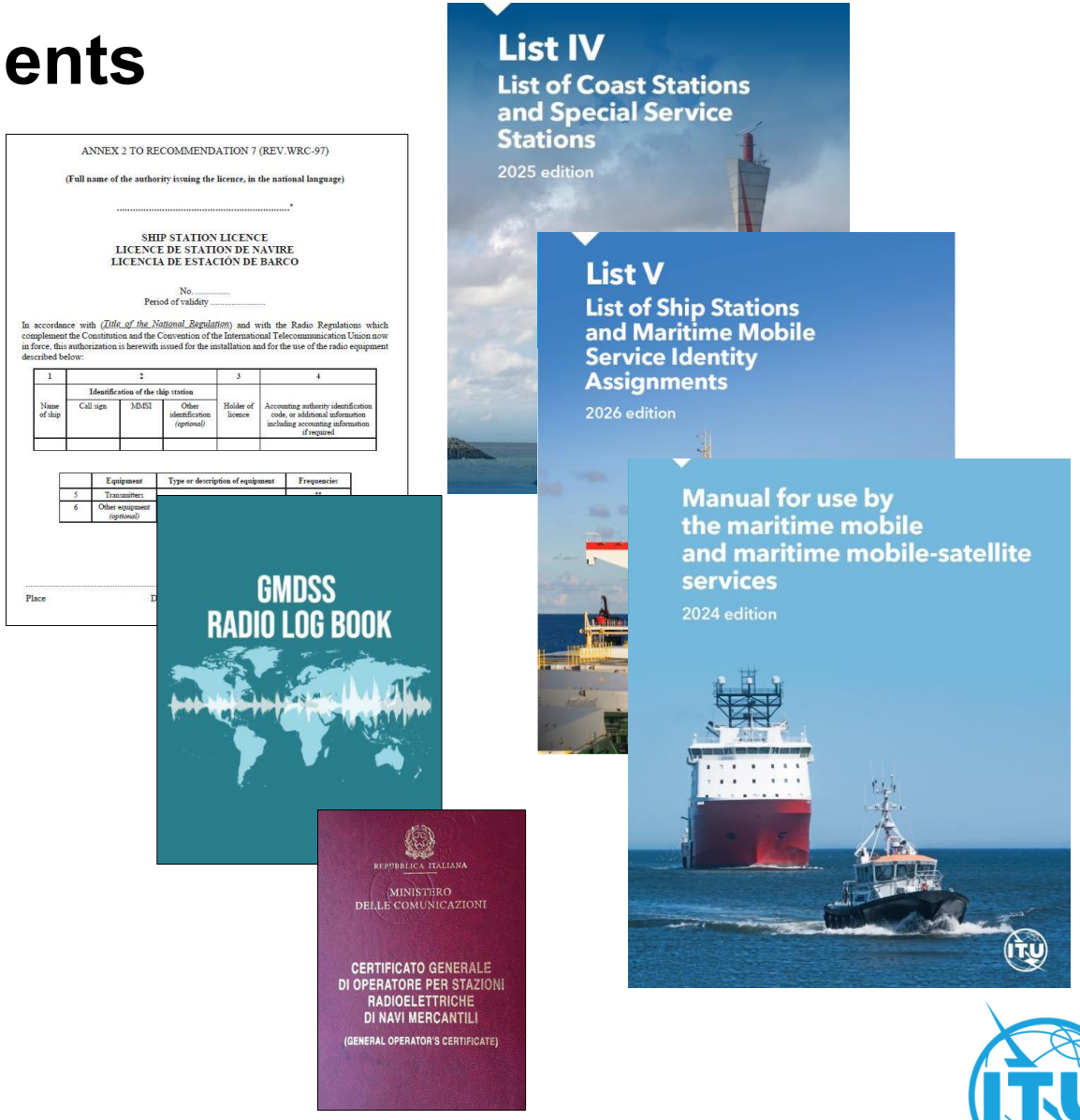
RR Appendix 16 specifies documents to carried onboard ships

Ship station licence (RR Article 18)

ITU maritime service publications
(List IV, List V, Maritime Manual)

Operator certificates (RR Article 47/48)

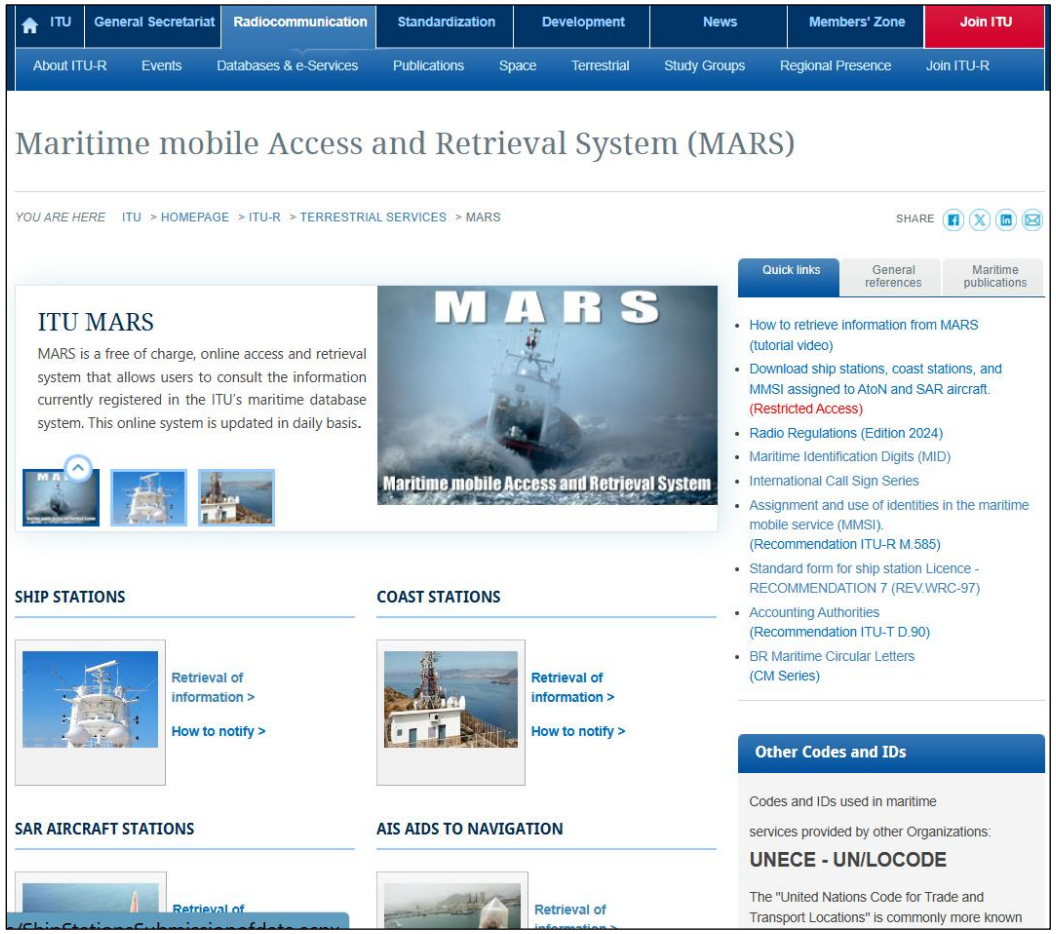
Communications log



Using MARS to search coast station information

From the MARS main page enter coast station retrieval of information

https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/mars/Pages/default.aspx



Ship Stations

Using specific search criteria, such as the ship name, call sign , MMSI, EPIRB Hex Id code, IMO or national registration number, users can retrieve operational information of ship stations that have been notified to the ITU Radiocommunication Bureau.







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Quick links | General references | Maritime publications

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- BR Maritime Circular Letters (CM Series)

Other Codes and IDs

Codes and IDs used in maritime services provided by other Organizations:

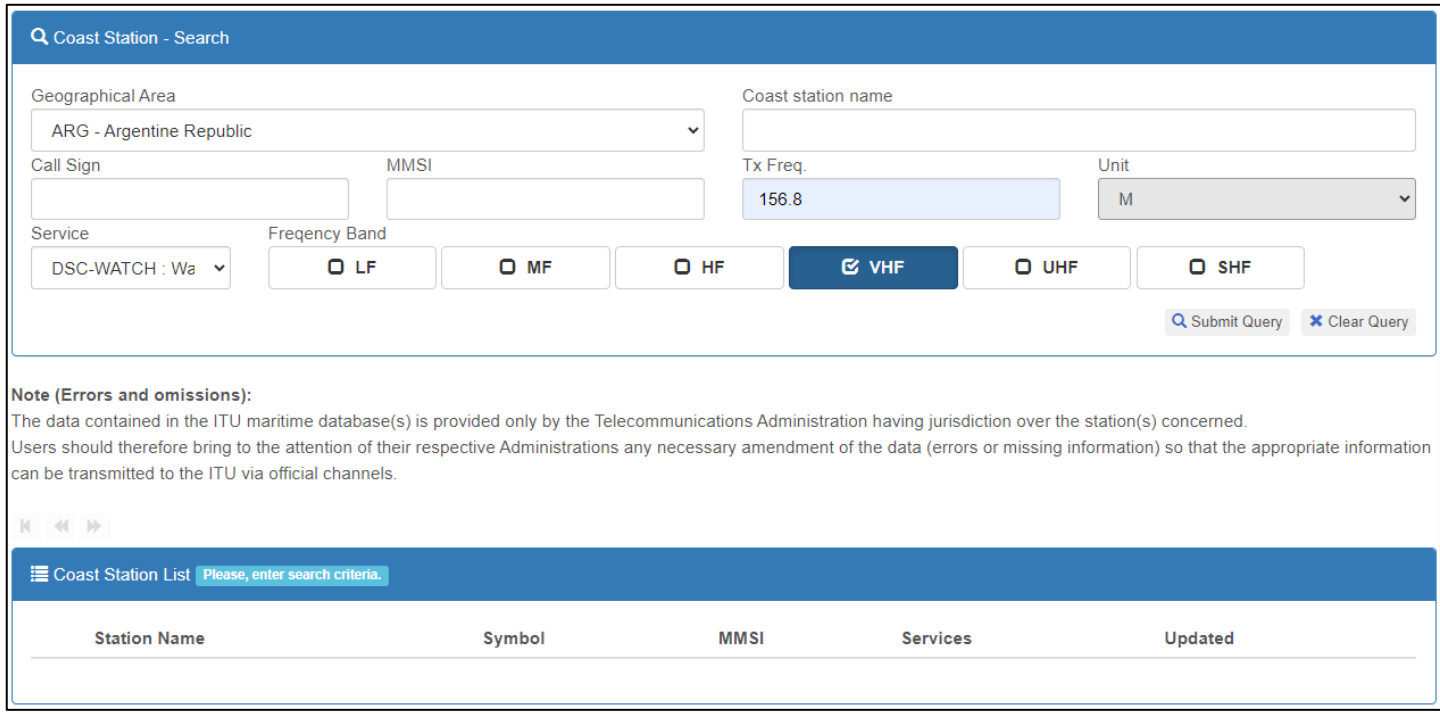
UNECE - UN/LOCODE

The "United Nations Code for Trade and

MARS coast station information search

Information can be searched using:

- Coast station Name
- Geographical Area
- MMSI or Call Sign
- Transmitting frequencies
- Services provided



Coast Station - Search

Geographical Area

ARG - Argentine Republic

Coast station name

Call Sign

MMSI

Tx Freq.

156.8

Unit

M

Service

DSC-WATCH : Wa

Freqency Band

LF | MF | HF | VHF | UHF | SHF

Submit Query | Clear Query

Note (Errors and omissions):

The data contained in the ITU maritime database(s) is provided only by the Telecommunications Administration having jurisdiction over the station(s) concerned.
Users should therefore bring to the attention of their respective Administrations any necessary amendment of the data (errors or missing information) so that the appropriate information can be transmitted to the ITU via official channels.

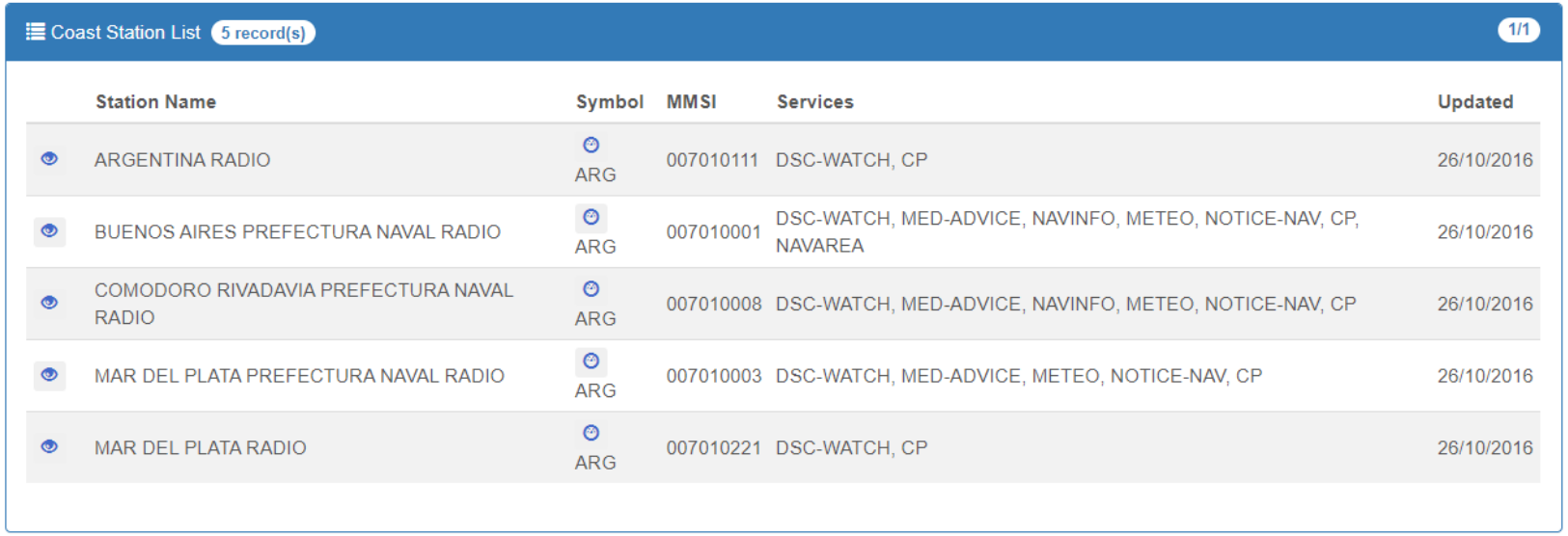
Coast Station List

Please, enter search criteria.

Station Name	Symbol	MMSI	Services	Updated

MARS coast station information search

To view individual coast station information, click on the eye symbol



Coast Station List 5 record(s) 1/1

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	ARGENTINA RADIO	ARG	007010111	DSC-WATCH, CP	26/10/2016
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	COMODORO RIVADAVIA PREFECTURA NAVAL RADIO	ARG	007010008	DSC-WATCH, MED-ADVICE, NAVINFO, METEO, NOTICE-NAV, CP	26/10/2016
	MAR DEL PLATA PREFECTURA NAVAL RADIO	ARG	007010003	DSC-WATCH, MED-ADVICE, METEO, NOTICE-NAV, CP	26/10/2016
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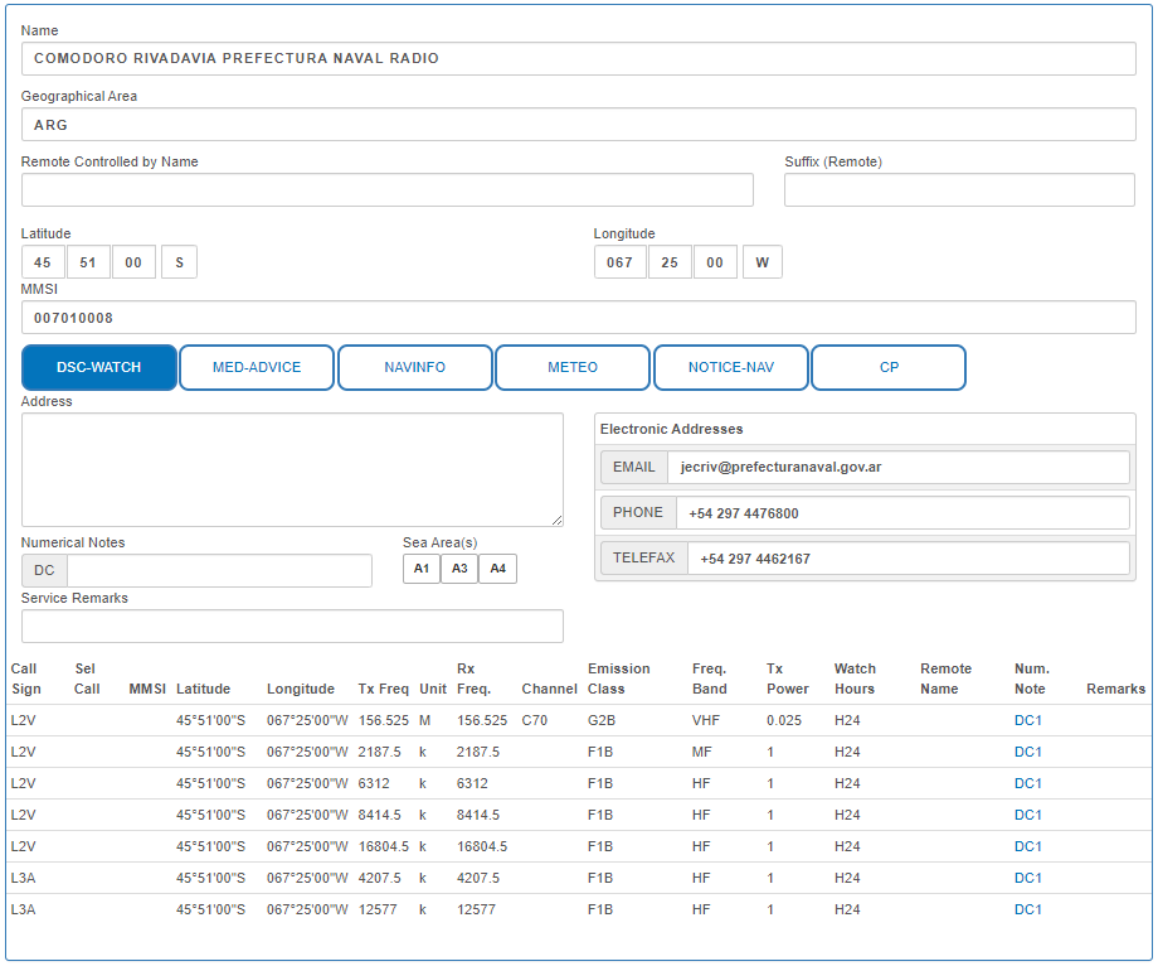
MARS coast station information search

Search result station information

- Coast station contact details
- Identifiers
- TX/RX frequencies
- Channels
- Class of emission
- Operational watch hours
- Geographical location
- Operational notes



Name
COMODORO RIVADAVIA PREFECTURA NAVAL RADIO

Geographical Area
ARG

Remote Controlled by Name

Suffix (Remote)

Latitude
45 51 00 S

Longitude
067 25 00 W

MMSI
007010008

DSC-WATCH | MED-ADVICE | NAVINFO | METEO | NOTICE-NAV | CP

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Numerical Notes
DC

Sea Area(s)
A1 A3 A4

Service Remarks

Call Sign	Sel Call	MMSI	Latitude	Longitude	Tx Freq	Unit	Rx Freq.	Channel	Emission Class	Freq. Band	Tx Power	Watch Hours	Remote Name	Num. Note	Remarks
L2V			45°51'00"S	067°25'00"W	156.525	M	156.525	C70	G2B	VHF	0.025	H24		DC1	
L2V			45°51'00"S	067°25'00"W	2187.5	k	2187.5		F1B	MF	1	H24		DC1	
L2V			45°51'00"S	067°25'00"W	6312	k	6312		F1B	HF	1	H24		DC1	
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L3A			45°51'00"S	067°25'00"W	4207.5	k	4207.5		F1B	HF	1	H24		DC1	
L3A			45°51'00"S	067°25'00"W	12577	k	12577		F1B	HF	1	H24		DC1	

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Remote Controlled by Name

Suffix (Remote)

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Coast station notifications (RR 20.16)

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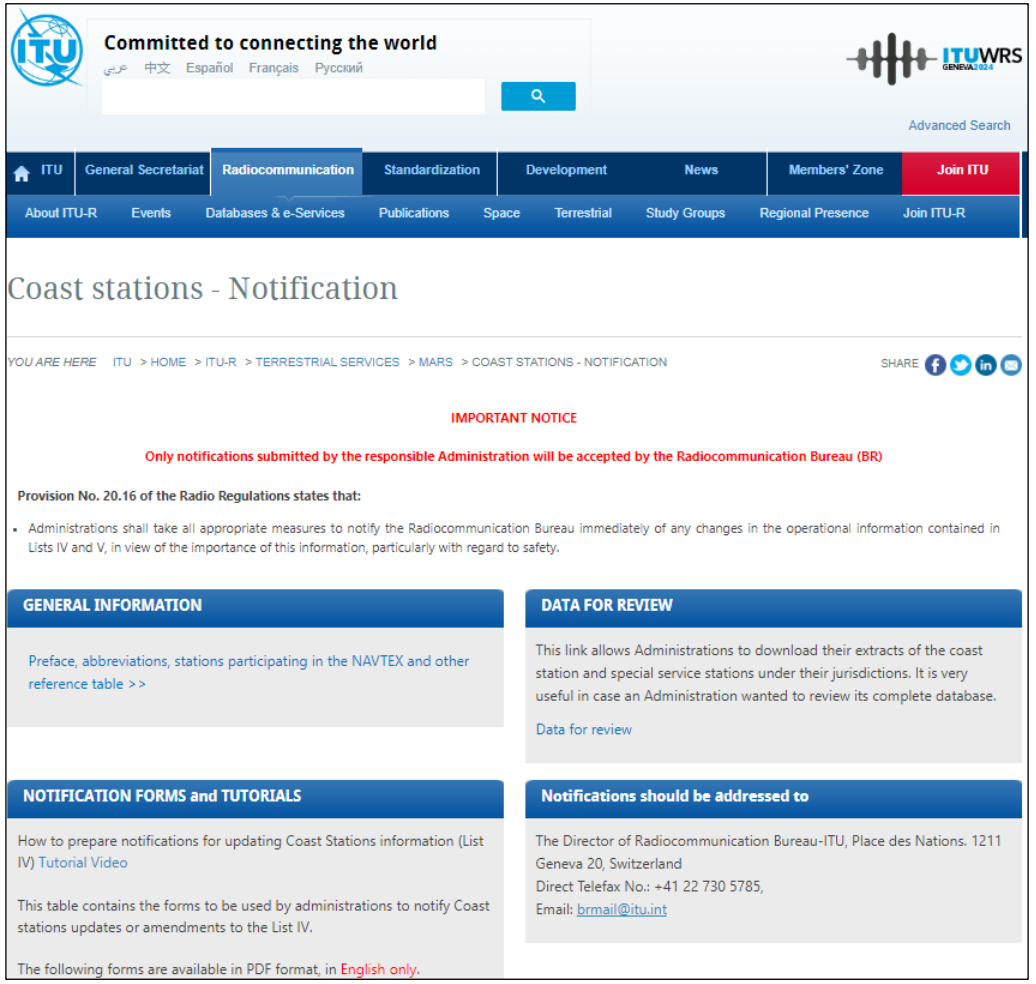
Coast station notifications

- General information document (preface)
- Existing coast station information (restricted download)
- Notification forms and tutorial video



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Only notifications submitted by the responsible Administration will be accepted by the Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

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Preface, abbreviations, stations participating in the NAVTEX and other reference table >>

DATA FOR REVIEW

This link allows Administrations to download their extracts of the coast station and special service stations under their jurisdictions. It is very useful in case an Administration wanted to review its complete database.

Data for review

NOTIFICATION FORMS and TUTORIALS

How to prepare notifications for updating Coast Stations information (List IV) Tutorial Video

This table contains the forms to be used by administrations to notify Coast stations updates or amendments to the List IV.

The following forms are available in PDF format, in English only.

Notifications should be addressed to

The Director of Radiocommunication Bureau-ITU, Place des Nations. 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland
Direct Telefax No.: +41 22 730 5785,
Email: brmail@itu.int

Two options for coast station notifications

- **Option 1**

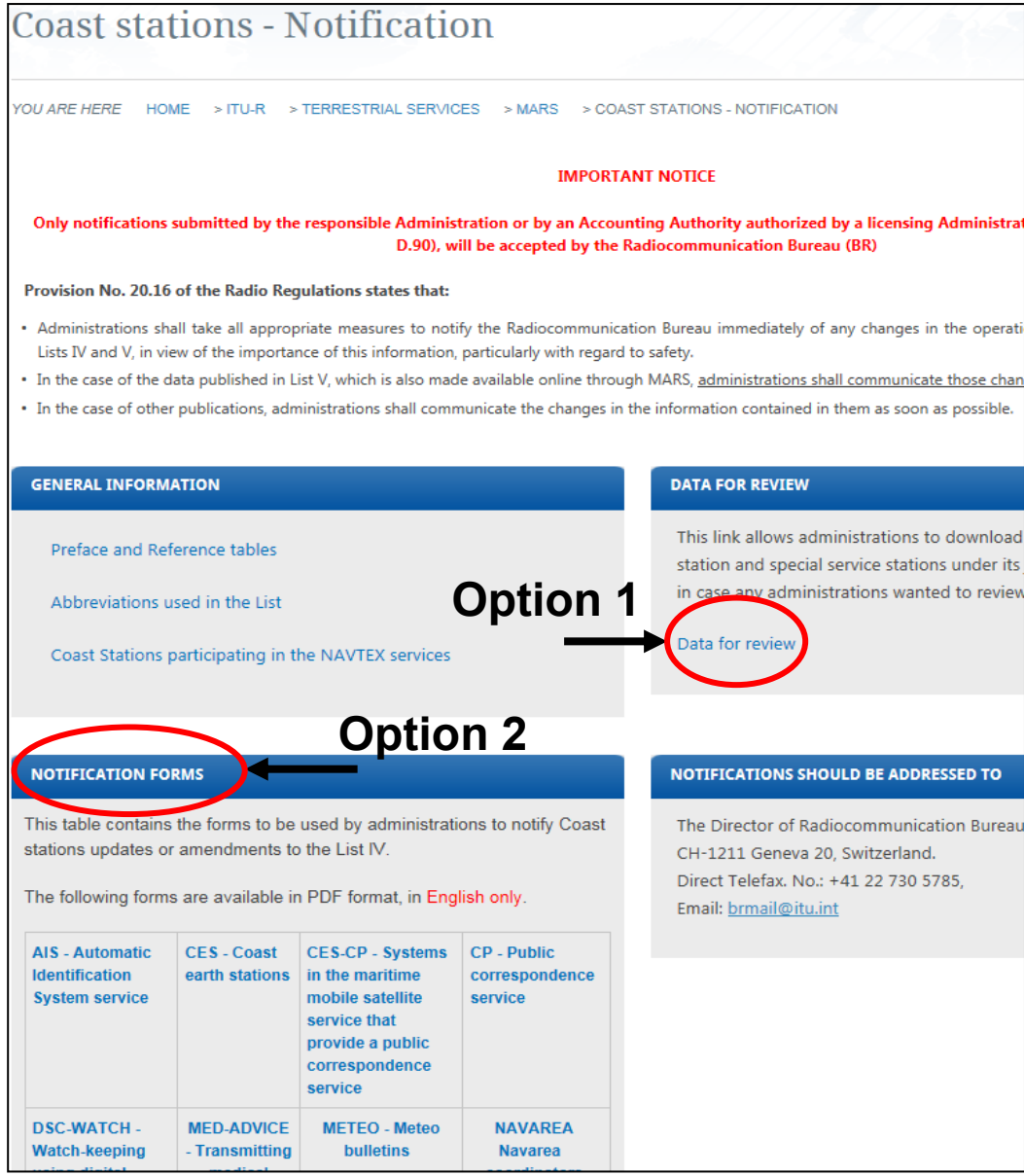
For existing coast stations and services

Download existing information from MARS and amend using the track changes function of the MS Word

- **Option 2**

For new coast stations and services

Each station is notified using the service relevant form



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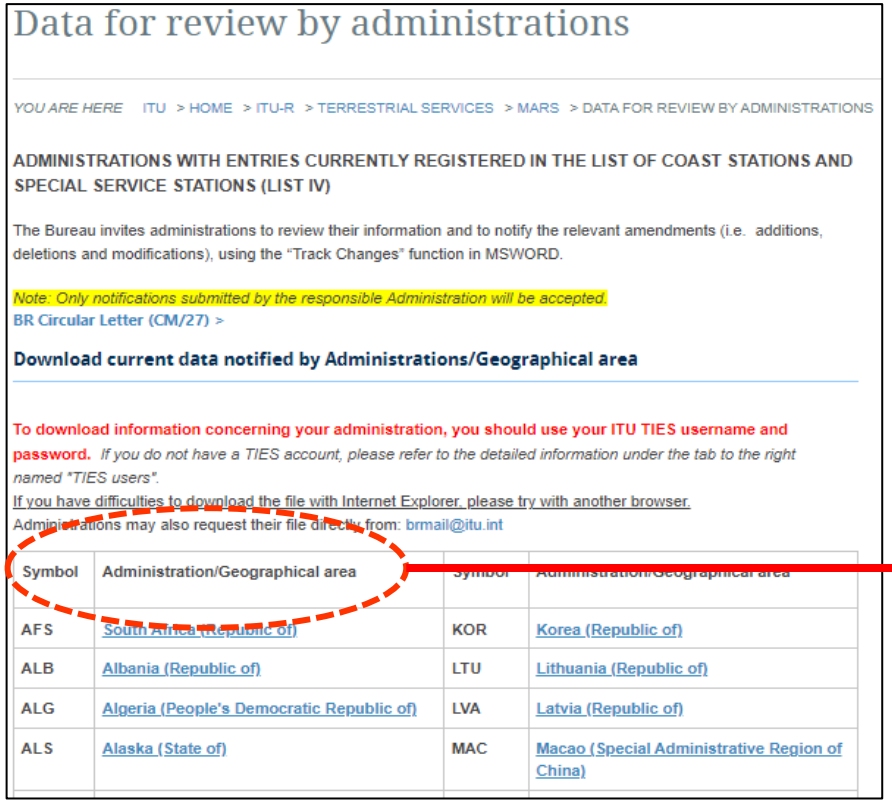
Existing coast station update

Select Administration and login to download file



Data for review by administrations

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ADMINISTRATIONS WITH ENTRIES CURRENTLY REGISTERED IN THE LIST OF COAST STATIONS AND SPECIAL SERVICE STATIONS (LIST IV)

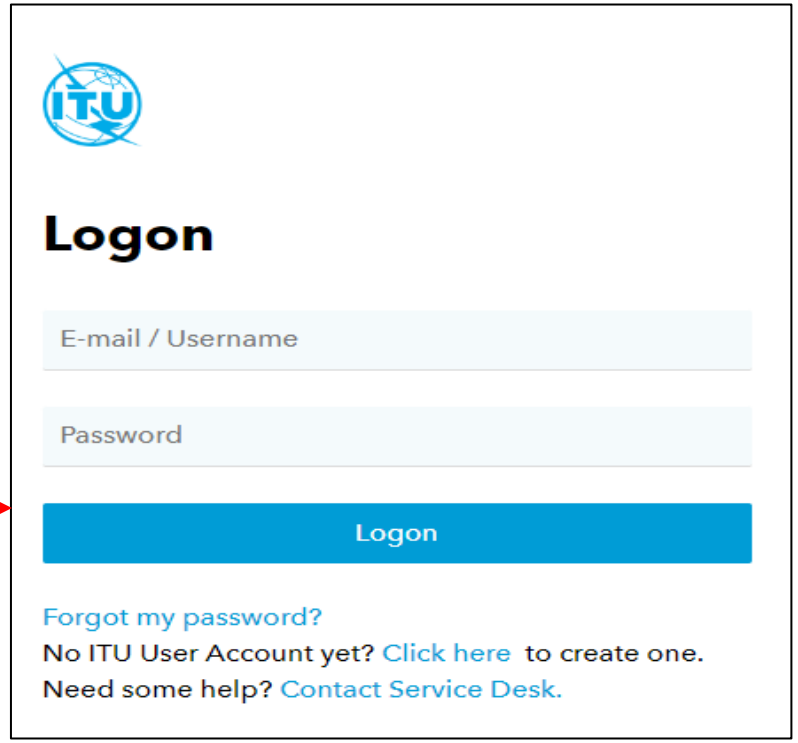
The Bureau invites administrations to review their information and to notify the relevant amendments (i.e. additions, deletions and modifications), using the "Track Changes" function in MSWORD.

Note: Only notifications submitted by the responsible Administration will be accepted.
BR Circular Letter (CM/27) >

Download current data notified by Administrations/Geographical area

To download information concerning your administration, you should use your ITU TIES username and password. *If you do not have a TIES account, please refer to the detailed information under the tab to the right named "TIES users".*
If you have difficulties to download the file with Internet Explorer, please try with another browser.
Administrations may also request their file directly from: brmail@itu.int

Symbol	Administration/Geographical area	Symbol	Administration/Geographical area
AFS	South Africa (Republic of)	KOR	Korea (Republic of)
ALB	Albania (Republic of)	LTU	Lithuania (Republic of)
ALG	Algeria (People's Democratic Republic of)	LVA	Latvia (Republic of)
ALS	Alaska (State of)	MAC	Macao (Special Administrative Region of China)



Logon

E-mail / Username

Password

Logon

Forgot my password?
No ITU User Account yet? Click here to create one.
Need some help? Contact Service Desk.

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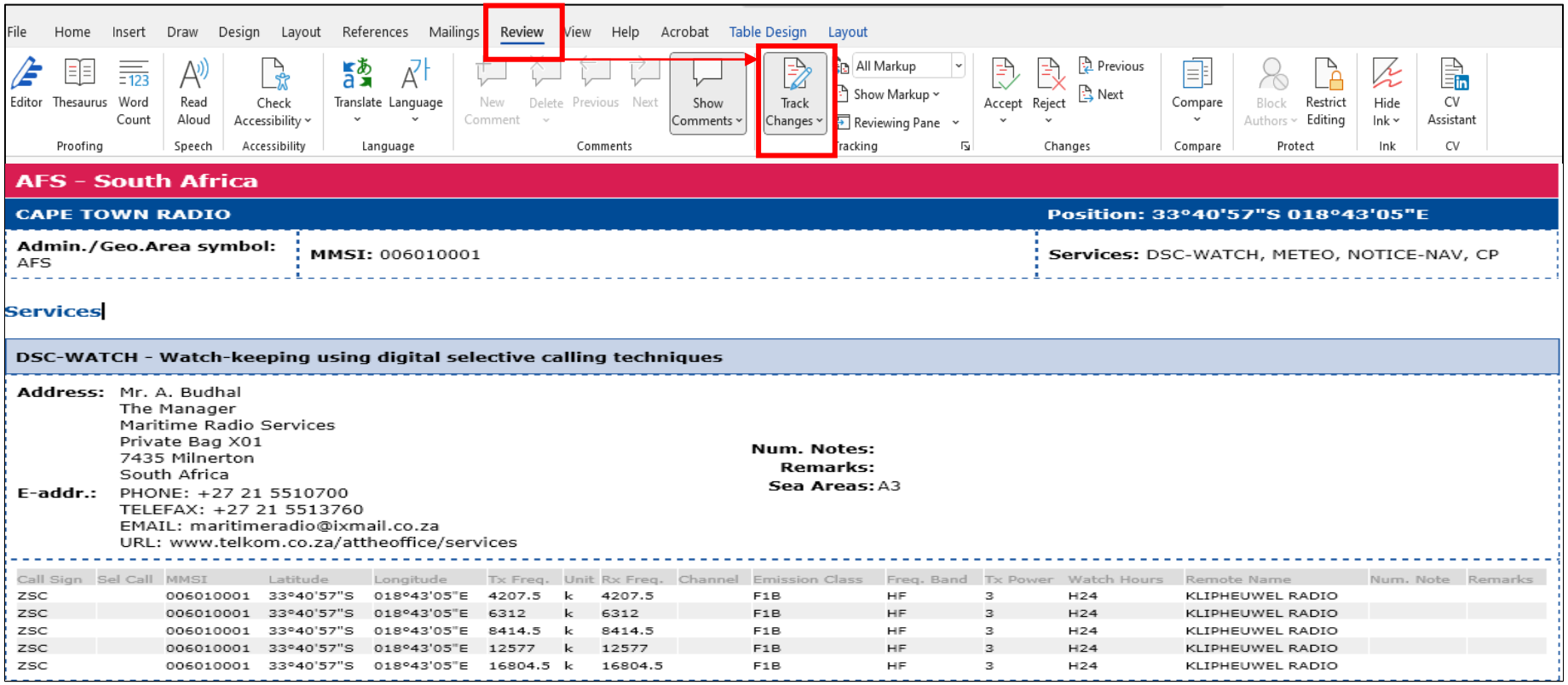

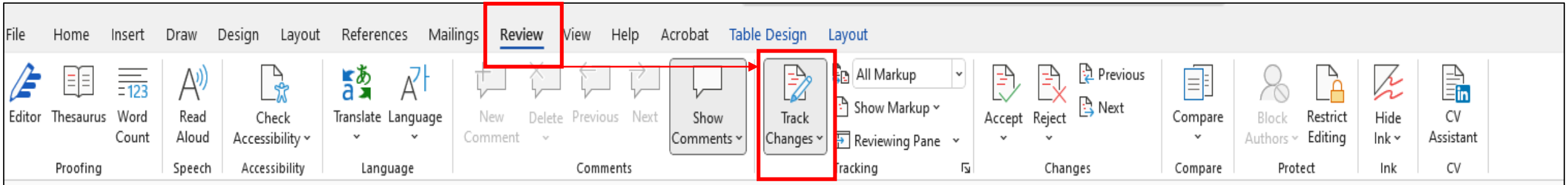

AFS – South Africa

CAPE TOWN RADIO

Position: 33°40'57"S 018°43'05"E

Admin./Geo.Area symbol: AFS

MMSI: 006010001

Services: DSC-WATCH, METEO, NOTICE-NAV, CP

Services

DSC-WATCH - Watch-keeping using digital selective calling techniques

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EMAIL: maritimeradio@ixmail.co.za
URL: www.telkom.co.za/attheoffice/services

Num. Notes:
Remarks:
Sea Areas: A3

Call Sign	Sel Call	MMSI	Latitude	Longitude	Tx Freq.	Unit	Rx Freq.	Channel	Emission Class	Freq. Band	Tx Power	Watch Hours	Remote Name	Num. Note	Remarks
ZSC		006010001	33°40'57"S	018°43'05"E	4207.5	k	4207.5		F1B	HF	3	H24	KLIPHEUWEL RADIO		
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Existing coast station update

The MS Word document will retain the original text with tracked changes marked

CP - Public correspondence service

Address: Mr. A. Budhal
The Manager
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South Africa

E-addr.: PHONE: +27 21 5510~~700~~555
TELEFAX: +27 21 5513760
TELEX: maritimeradio@ixmail.co.za
URL: www.telkom.co.za/attheoffice/services

Nature of Service: CP
Num. Notes: CP1 CP2
Remarks:
Charge Notes: A B H

Call Sign	Sel Call	MMSI	Latitude	Longitude	Priority	Tx Freq.	Unit	Rx Freq.	Channel	Emission Class	Freq. Band	Tx Power	Tx Hrs	Watch Hours	Remote Name	Num. Note	Remarks
ZSC			28°36'45"S	016°29'241"E		1~~5661~~.85	M	1~~5661~~.85	C25~~C16~~	G3E	VHF	0.025		H24	~~ALEXANDER BAY~~ PATRICK ~~RA~~DIO		
ZSC			28°36'45"S	016°29'41"E		160.8	M		C04	G3E	VHF	0.025		H24	ALEXANDER BAY RADIO		
ZSC			29°17'32"S	016°52'47"E		156.8	M	156.8	C16	G3E	VHF	0.025		H24	PORT NOLLOTH RADIO		
ZSC			29°17'32"S	016°52'47"E		160.65	M		C01	G3E	VHF	0.025		H24	PORT NOLLOTH RADIO		
ZSC			30°19'21"S	017°16'28"E		156.8	M	156.8	C16	G3E	VHF	0.025		H24	HONDEKLIPBAAI RADIO		

New coast station notification using a service form

Select and complete the relevant service form



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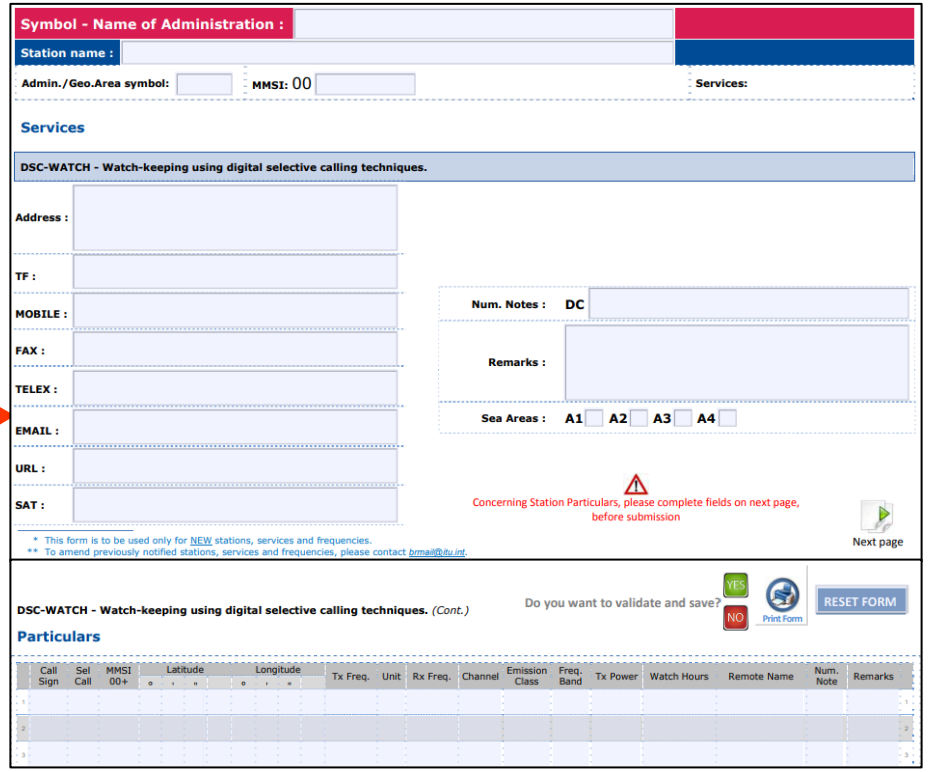
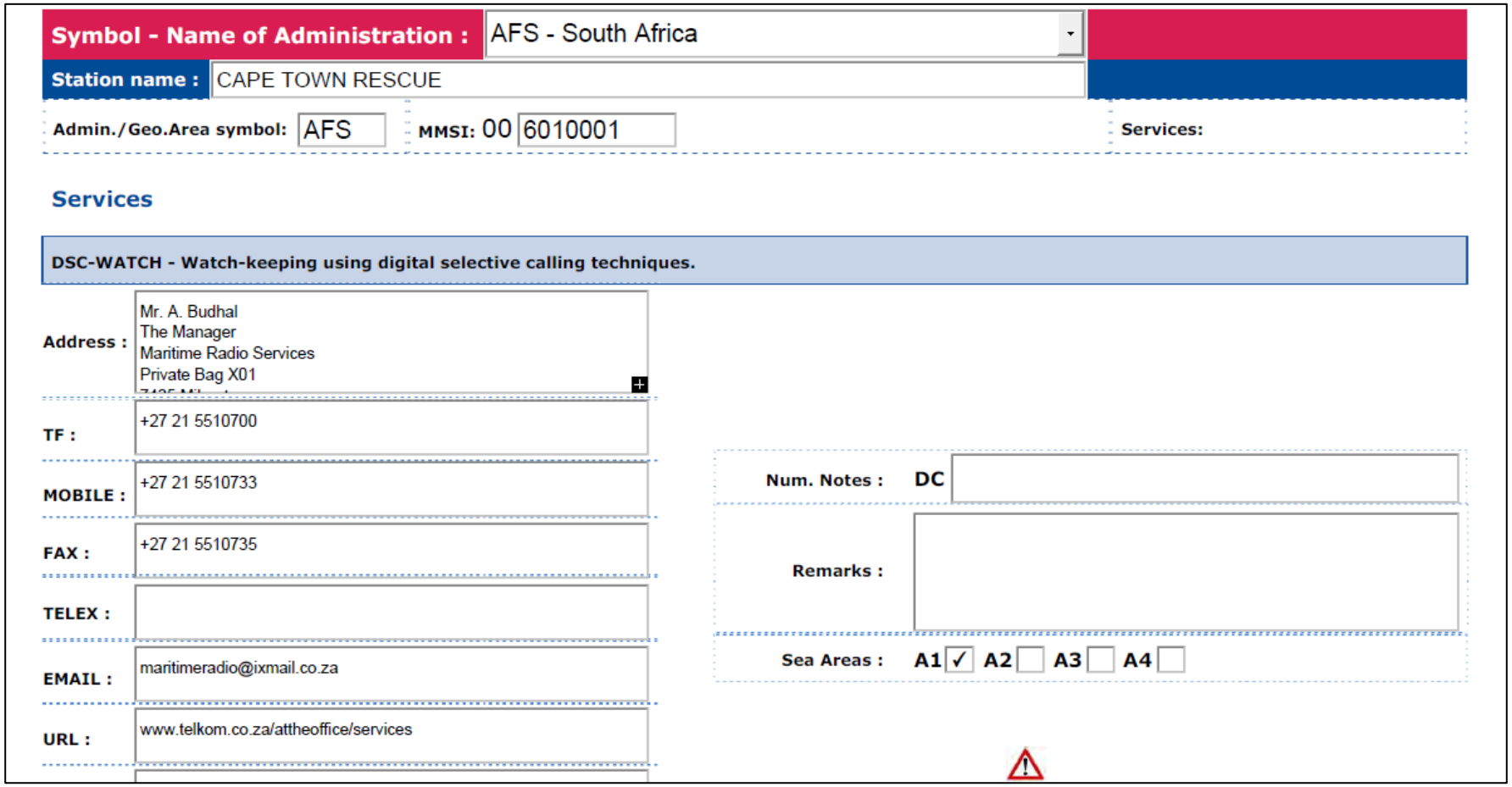
NAVINFO - Transmitting to ships navigational and meteorological warnings and urgent information (MSI	NOTICE-NAV - Transmitting notices to navigators	PILOT - Pilot stations	PORTINFO - Port stations
RCC(s) - Rescue coordination centres (MRCC, RCC, MRSC,	SAR AGENCY	UTC - Radio time signals	VTS - VTS (Vessel Traffic Services) stations



Example of completed coast station notification form

DSC Watch service - Page 1



Symbol - Name of Administration : AFS - South Africa

Station name : CAPE TOWN RESCUE

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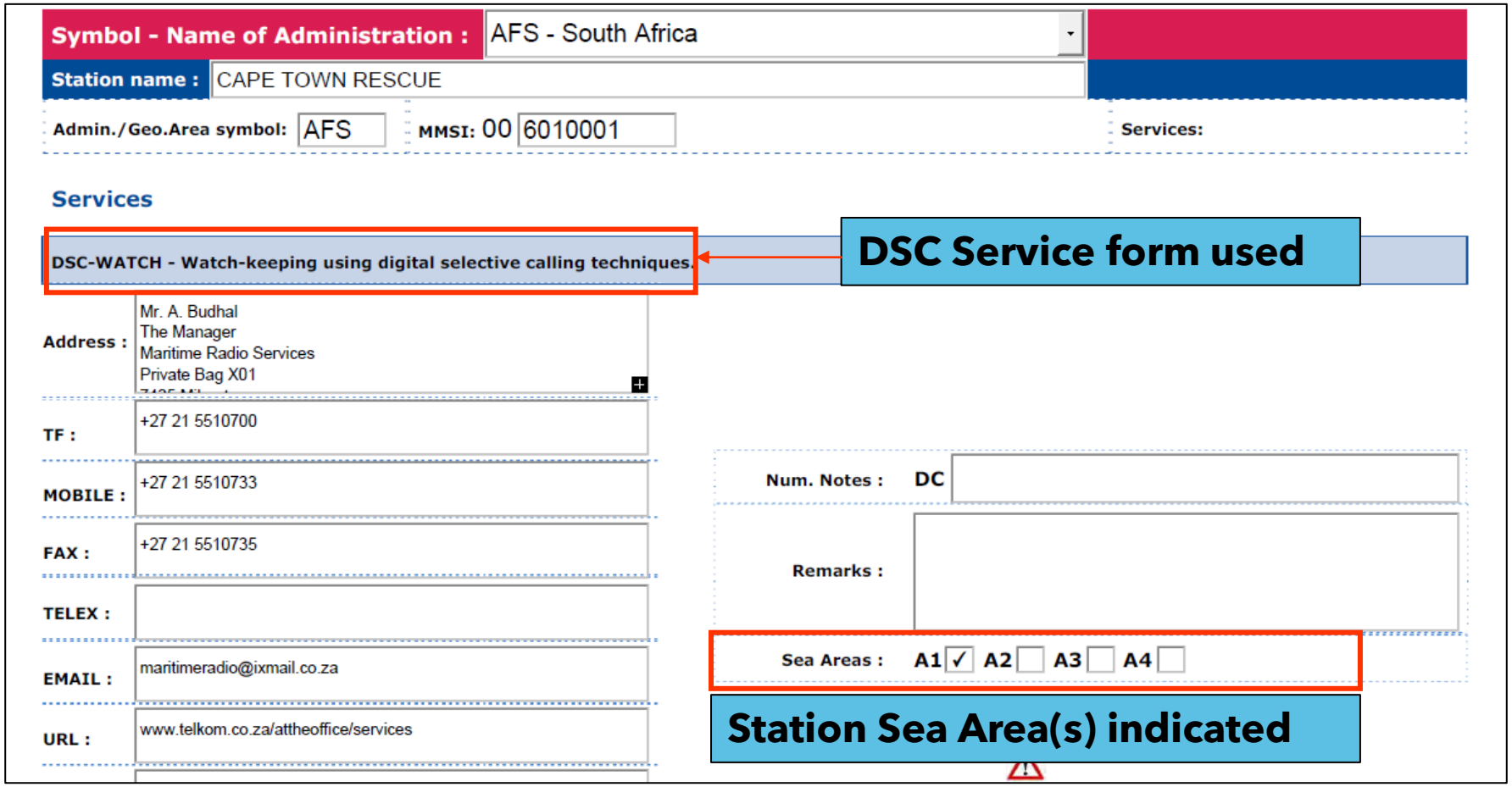
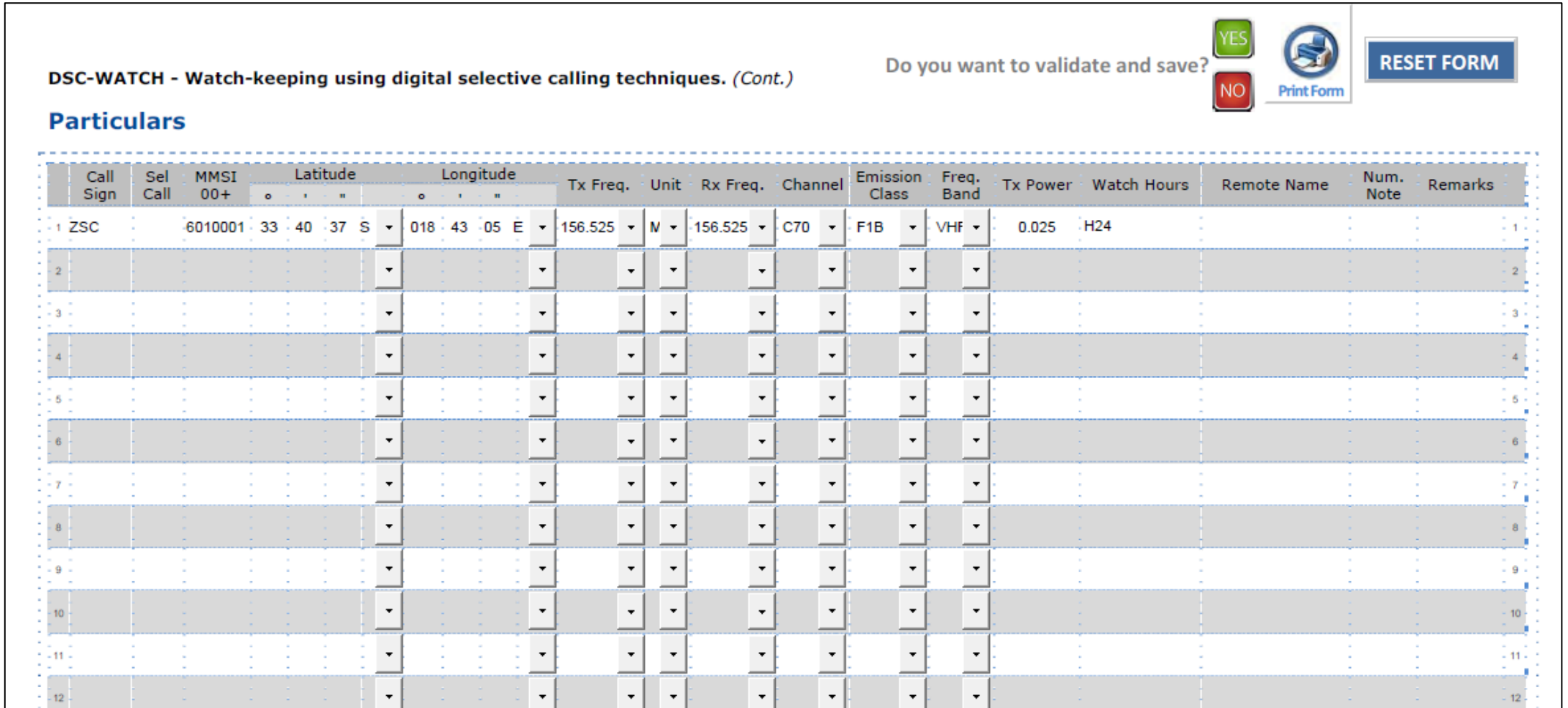


Example of completed coast station notification form

DSC Watch service - Page 2



DSC-WATCH - Watch-keeping using digital selective calling techniques. *(Cont.)*

Do you want to validate and save? YES NO Print Form RESET FORM

Particulars

	Call Sign	Sel Call	MMSI 00+	Latitude ° ' "		Longitude ° ' "		Tx Freq.	Unit	Rx Freq.	Channel	Emission Class	Freq. Band	Tx Power	Watch Hours	Remote Name	Num. Note	Remarks	
1	ZSC		6010001	33	40 37 S	018	43 05 E	156.525	M	156.525	C70	F1B	VHF	0.025	H24				1
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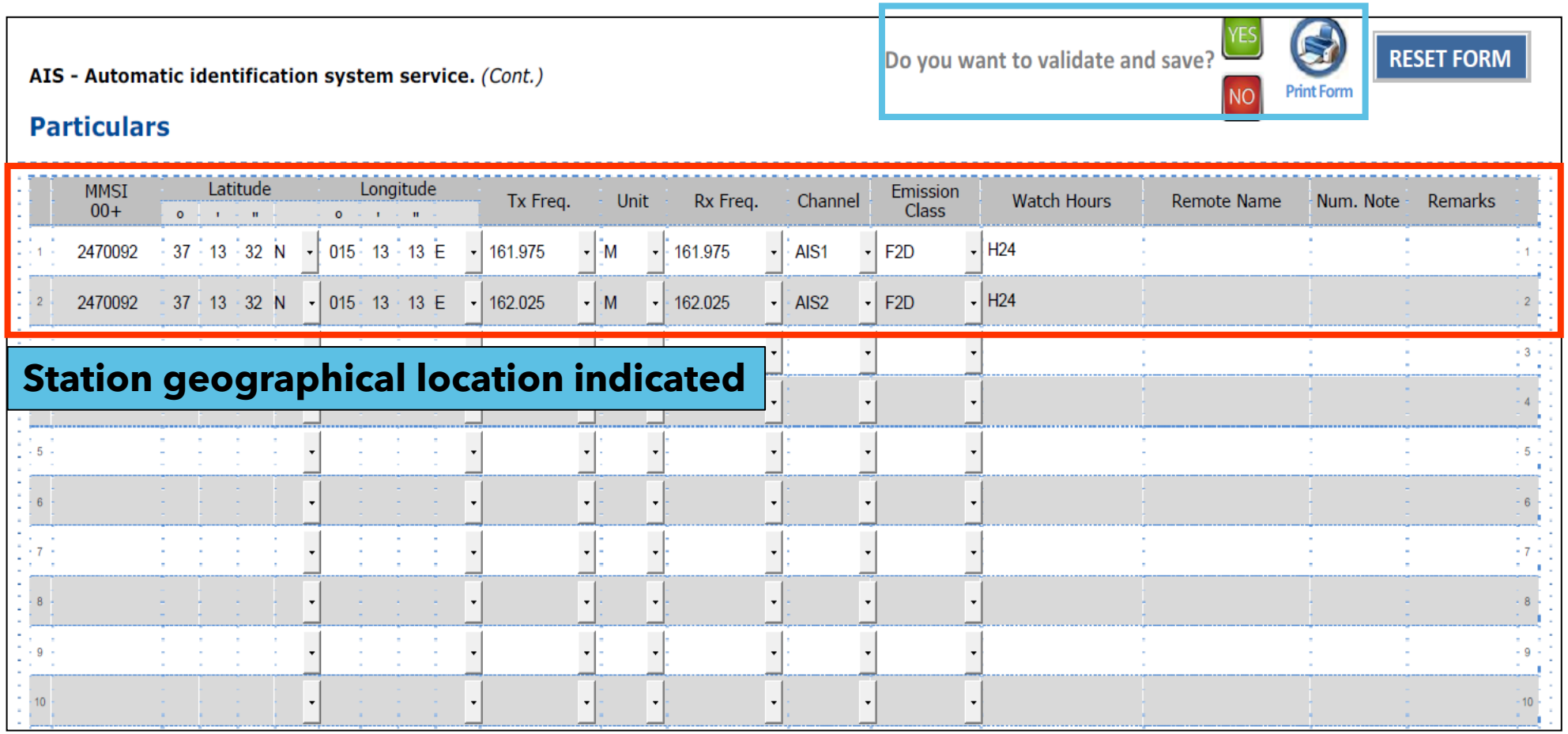
- On completion of form, click validate button
- Omitted mandatory fields will be indicated
- Once successfully validated, form can be “printed” to PDF and notified to brmail@itu.int



Common coast station notification issues

- Frequency channels do not correspond to service
- Position not provided
- MMSIs for DSC or remote-controlled stations not included
- Station service notified using a different service form

Online tutorial videos are available to assist Administrations with maritime notifications

- **List IV notifications**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dWQsM4YJVac&list=PLpoIPNIF8P2M2tgZUL1AUI74VWeZtqX-5&index=11

- **List V notifications**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mOPLs2lfNrk&list=PLpoIPNIF8P2M2tgZUL1AUI74VWeZtqX-5&index=10

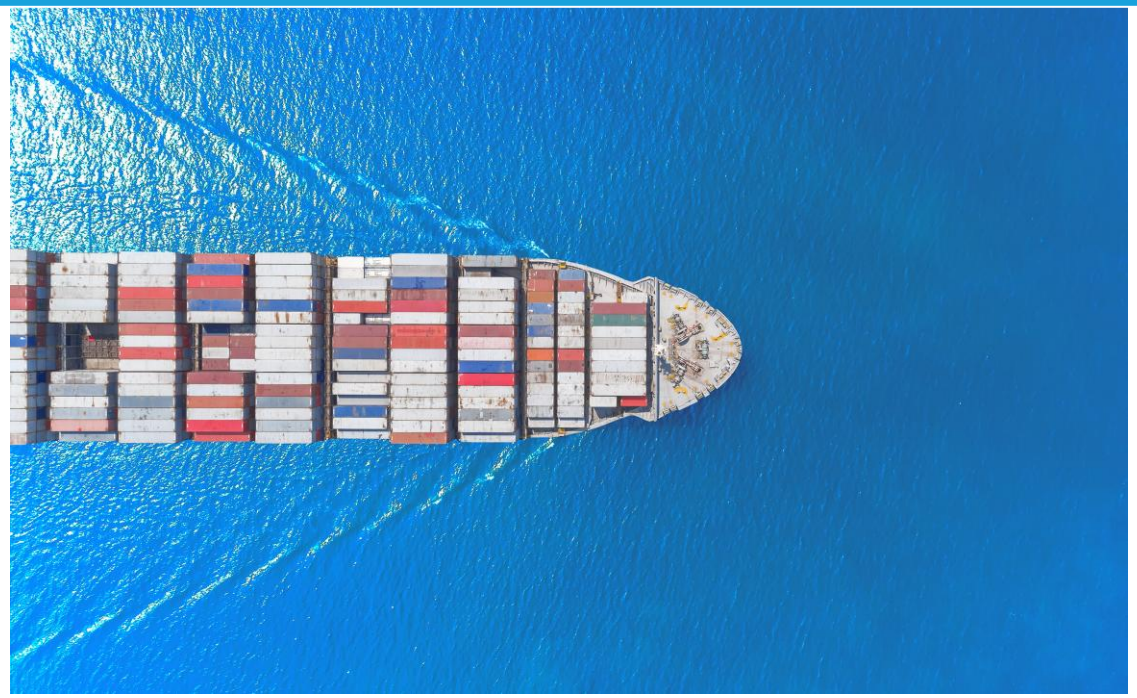
- **How to extract coast and ship station information from MARS**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M8qzQ9hzZdo&list=PLpoIPNIF8P2M2tgZUL1AUI74VWeZtqX-5&index=12

- **Retrieval of information from MARS**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXa1q_3e-LM&list=PLpoIPNIF8P2M2tgZUL1AUI74VWeZtqX-5&index=9

Importance of the Maritime Information Notified by Administrations



Provides ship and shore-based information that facilitates communications for global commercial shipping operations

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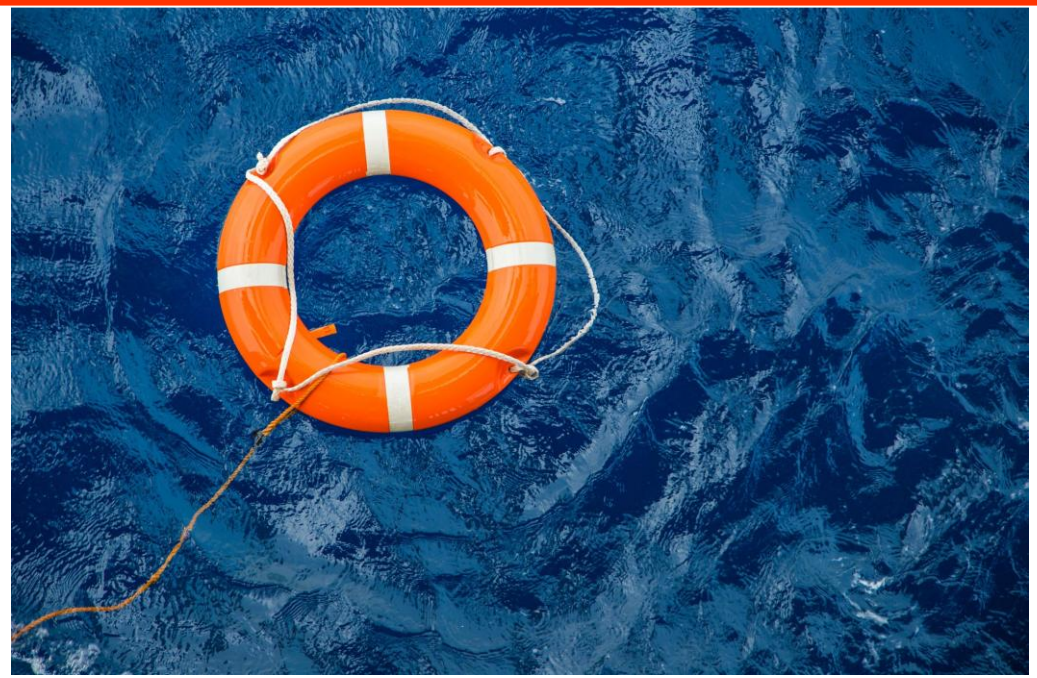

Accurate notified information from ITU Member States is a key factor for saving lives at sea

Thank you!

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