



NOAA/NWS Reference Guide

Weather Reports & Communication with NWS

How to contact NOAA National Weather Service Anchorage

- **Public Line:** 907-266-5105
- **Email:** anchorage.weather@noaa.gov
- We are available 24/7/365

All Reports Should Include...

TIME	LOCATION	CONDITION	SOURCE
When did it occur? Is it still happening right now?	As detailed as possible	What happened?	Spotter? Officer? Public?

Specific Follow-up Questions

ALL	→ Any storm-related injuries or fatalities?
Snowfall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Is reported snowfall MEASURED or ESTIMATED? → Is the snowfall reducing visibility? How strong are the winds? → Are there significant drifts forming?
Winter Precipitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Was there freezing rain? Ice pellets? → Is any ice accumulation MEASURED or ESTIMATED? → Is the precipitation reducing visibility?
Wind	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Is reported wind speed MEASURED or ESTIMATED? → What is the extent of damage? → Trees damaged? Uprooted? How many? Size?
Flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Is there any flooding? → Is there water across a road? How deep? → Ice jams/washouts/mudslides? Roads closed?