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# IHO S-104 Water Level Information For Surface Navigation

## 1 Overview

S-104 is the Water Level Information for Surface Navigation Product Specification, produced by the IHO.

The development of electronic navigation with high resolution bathymetric data, and the drive to increase safety of navigation are now demanding time-sensitive data. IHO has identified the requirement for a product specification for dynamic tidal and water level data.

Tidal height information has traditionally been provided as high/low predictions however with increasing drafts and technology, there has been a move to hourly predictions with major ports providing real-time height information to their pilots and web-sites.

There is now a requirement to supply tidal and water level data as a single point time-series and as a surface time series to manage critical depths and provide tidal windows.

### 1.1 Introduction

This document describes an S-100 compliant product specification for the encapsulation and data transfer of tidal and water level data for use in an Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) or any proposed dynamic tide application. Tidal and water level predictions have been fundamental in route planning and entry to ports (SOLAS Chapter V). These have traditionally been supplied as a physical hard copy publication and recently as a separate software installation that may not be integrated with the ECDIS. To improve safety of navigation, this product specification will ensure that tidal and water level data supplied for dynamic capability is consistent by all approved authorities.

#### 1.1.1 Data Types

There are ~~two~~<sup>three</sup> different data types that can be delivered to a ship and/or to an ECDIS:

~~1. a time series of water level height relative to a vertical datum and trend. The data can represent either a single point (i.e. one geographic location) or for an array of points contained in a grid. Time and datum information are contained in the metadata. One purpose of this standard data type is to update water depths for under-keel clearance management.~~

~~2. area (zone) of influence information, which consists of a set of polygons that describe specific geographic areas. Each polygon may be represented by a specific geographic location (centroid) for data transfer purposes. Time and datum information are contained in the metadata. The purpose of this data type is to update water depths for under-keel clearance management.~~

~~3. a datum separation (difference) product ("hydroid"), which provides the separation between two vertical datum fields, such as a tidal/chart datum and a defined ellipsoid. Information defining the specific datums is contained in the metadata. The purpose of this data type is to support hydrographic surveying.~~

**Met opmerkingen [GS1]:** Suggested to remove this for Ed 1.0.0 for simplicity. We didn't include this in our recent development of the HDF5 formats, metadata, Feature Catalogue, Data Classification and Encoding Guide (Annex A), and Registry. We can always add it back in for later Editions if there are important use cases for it.

#### 1.1.2 Display

There are ~~three~~<sup>two</sup> different means of displaying water level data to support navigation, route planning, and route monitoring:

1. display of water level at a single point. The portrayal options for this are:
  - a. a symbol at the location of the water level data source
  - b. a text box containing information on the water level height, trend, etc.
  - c. graphic time series plot(s) showing water level height over time at one or more locations

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2. display of a single point location from gridded data, where a mouse click on the chart area will display the information at that point from the nearest node in the grid. The display has the qualities as described in type (1) - display of water level at a single point.

3. display of zones of influence, which are regions where the water level, which varies in time, is essentially spatially uniform. The depiction of a zone, which is optional, is by a polygon, and may also include additional data such as the zone-specific water level height and a location.

### 1.1.3 Encoding

There are three different encodings of water level data:

1. HDF5 (Hierarchical Data Format version 5) is used for encoding time series of water level heights and trends at a single point or at an array of points in a grid, and for encoding the ellipsoid-to-chart datum separation product ("hydroid"). HDF5 promotes compatible data exchange due to its common neutral encoding format. HDF5 is object oriented and suitable for many types of data and forms the basis of the Network Common Data Form (NetCDF), a popular format used for scientific data.

2. GML (Geography Markup Language) is used for encoding the zones of influence. The data will include a set of longitude-latitude pairs describing the vertices of the area-of-influence polygons plus additional information describing connecting line shapes (straight or curved).

3. AIS ASM (Automatic Identification System's Application-Specific Message) is used for encoding water level height, trend, time, and location information for multiple stations, for the purpose of providing real-time water levels. The specific ASM is the Meteorological and Hydrological Message.

Table 1.1 summarizes Clauses 1.1.1 through 1.1.3.

Table 1.1 – S-104 data variables, formats, encoding and display. Note: O = Overlay: a layer superimposed on and georeferenced to a nautical chart. I = Inset: a graphic that can be placed anywhere on the screen.

| Data Variable                | Data Format  | Encoding    | Display  |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|--|
| Water Level Height and Trend | Single Location, Single Time (e.g. Real-time Obs.)               | HDF5<br>AIS | Symbol (O), Text Box (O)<br>Determined by Ship/Mfr |
|                              | Single Location, Time Series (e.g. Harmonic Constant Prediction) | HDF5        | Symbol (O), Text Box (O), Graphic Plot (I)         |
|                              | Multiple Locations, Time Series (e.g. Gridded Forecast)          | HDF5        | Symbol (O), Text Box (O), Graphic Plot (I)         |
| Area of Influence            | Set of Polygons  | GML?        | Lines (O)  |
| Datum Separation             | Multiple Locations (e.g. Gridded Field)                          | HDF5        | None   |

## 1.2 References

### 1.1.2.1 Normative

S-44 IHO Standards for Hydrographic Surveys, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition February 2008

S-100 IHO Universal Hydrographic Data Model, version 3.0.0 (June 2017)

S-101 IHO Electronic Navigational Chart Product Specification, July 2014

**Met opmerkingen [GS2]:** Should ISO/IEC 8211 be considered for this?

**Met opmerkingen [GS3]:** Is information about direction of connecting the lines needed? E.g. clockwise or counter clockwise

**Met opmerkingen [GS4]:** Real-time water levels will be included in Ed 2.0.0 or later. Removing here and throughout rest of doc

**Met opmerkingen [GS5]:** Consider adding "1.2.1 Normative" and "1.2.2 Informative" as in S-111 v1.0.0, especially if "normative references" is used in 1.3.2 below.

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S-102 *IHO Bathymetric Surface Product Specification*, April 2012

S-111 *IHO Surface Currents Product Specification*, December 2018

*netCDF – Network Common Data Form Unidata* - [www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/netcdf](http://www.unidata.ucar.edu/software/netcdf)

**HDF5** – *Hierarchical Data Format version 5* – [www.hdfgroup.org](http://www.hdfgroup.org)

### **1.2.2 Informative**

ISO 8601:2004 *Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times*

ISO 3166-1:1997 *Country Codes*

ISO/TS 19103:2005 *Geographic information – Conceptual schema language*

ISO 19111:2003 *Geographic information – Spatial referencing by coordinates*

ISO 19115:2003 *Geographic information – Metadata updated by Corr1 (2006)*

ISO 19115-2:2009 *Geographic information – Metadata: Extensions for imagery and gridded data*

ISO 19123:2005 *Geographic information – Schema for coverage geometry and functions*

ISO 19129:2009 *Geographic information – Imagery gridded and coverage data framework*

ISO 19131:2007 *Geographic information – Data product specifications*

ISO/IEC 19501-1 and 19505-2, *Information technology — Open Distributed Processing – Unified Modelling Language Version 2.4.1*

## **4.21.3 Terms, Definitions and Abbreviations**

### **4.2.11.3.1 Use of Language**

Within this document:

- “Must” indicates a mandatory requirement.
- “Should” indicates an optional requirement, that is the recommended process to be followed, but is not mandatory.
- “May” means “allowed to” or “could possibly”, and is not mandatory.

### **4.2.21.3.2 Terms and Definitions**

Terms and definitions have been taken from the normative references cited in clause 1.2. Only those which are specific to this document have been included and modified where necessary. Additional terms are defined in this document.

#### 1.3.2.1 Coordinate

one of a sequence of numbers designating the position of a point in N-dimensional space [ISO 19111]

1.3.2.2 coordinate reference system

coordinate system which is related to the real world by a datum [ISO 19111]

1.3.2.3 coverage

**feature** that acts as a **function** to return values from its **range** for any **direct position** within its spatial, temporal, or spatiotemporal **domain**

**EXAMPLE:** Examples include a raster **image**, polygon overlay, or digital elevation matrix

**NOTE:** In other words, a **coverage** is a **feature** that has multiple values for each **attribute** type, where each **direct position** within the geometric representation of the **feature** has a single value for each **attribute** type [ISO 19123]

1.3.2.4 coverage geometry

configuration of the **domain** of a **coverage** described in terms of **coordinates** [ISO 19123]

1.3.2.5 data product

**dataset** or **dataset series** that conforms to a **data product specification**

**NOTE:** The S-104 data product consists of metadata and one or more sets of water level height and trend, and/or vertical datum difference values [ISO 19131]

1.3.2.6 direct position

position described by a single set of coordinates within a coordinate reference system [ISO 19107]

1.3.2.7 domain

well-defined set [ISO 19103]

**NOTE:** Domains are used to define the domain set and range set of operators and functions.

1.3.2.8 Elevation

the altitude of the ground level of an object, measured from a specified vertical datum. [IHO S100 GFM]

1.3.2.9 Feature

abstraction of real world phenomena [ISO 19101]

**NOTE:** a feature may occur as a type or an instance. Feature type or feature instance should be used when only one is meant.

1.3.2.10 feature attribute

**characteristic** of a **feature**

**EXAMPLE 1:** A **feature attribute** named *colour* may have an **attribute** value *green* which belongs to the **data type** *text*

**EXAMPLE 2:** A **feature attribute** named *length* may have an **attribute** value *82.4* which belongs to the **data type** *real*

**NOTE 1:** A **feature attribute** may occur as a **type** or an **instance**. **Feature attribute** type or **feature attribute** instance is used when only one is meant

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**NOTE 2:** A **feature attribute** type has a name, a **data type**, and a **domain** associated to it. A **feature attribute** instance has an **attribute** value taken from the **domain** of the **feature attribute** type

**NOTE 3:** In a **feature catalogue**, a **feature attribute** may include a value **domain** but does not specify **attribute** values for **feature** instances  
[ISO 19101, ISO 19109, ISO 19110, ISO 19117]

### 1.3.2.11 Height

distance of a point from a chosen reference surface measured upward along a line perpendicular to that surface. [ISO 19111:2006]

**NOTE 1:** Height is distinguished from elevation in that it is a directional measurement.

**NOTE 2:** Height is used when referring to water level.

### 1.3.2.12 georeferenced grid

**grid** for which cells can be located by the use of specific algorithms. See **ungeorectified grid**.

### 1.3.2.13 grid

network composed of a set of elements, or cells, whose vertices, or nodes, have defined positions within a coordinate system. See also **georeferenced grid**, **regular grid**, **ungeorectified grid**, **node**, and **grid point**. [ISO 19123]

**NOTE 1:** A rectangular grid has axes perpendicular to each other

**NOTE 2:** A uniform rectangular grid has constant spacing in the X-direction and constant spacing in the Y-direction, although the two spacing values are not necessarily equal

### 1.3.2.14 grid cell

element of a grid defined by its vertices, or **nodes**

### 1.3.2.15 grid point

point located at the intersection of two or more **grid cells** in a **grid**. Also called a **node**. [ISO 19123]

### 1.3.2.16 Record

Finite, named collection of related items (objects or values) [ISO 19107]

**NOTE:** Logically, a record is a set of pairs <name,item>

### 1.3.2.17 uncertainty

The interval (about a given value) that will contain the true value of the measurement at a specific confidence level [IHO S-44].

**NOTE:** Errors exist and are the differences between the measured value and the true value. Since the true value is never known it follows that the error itself cannot be known. Uncertainty is a statistical assessment of the likely magnitude of this error.

### 1.3.2.18 water level trend

Change of water level at a given time, such as 'increasing', 'decreasing', or 'steady'.  
When the average rate of change of the water level observations over a one hour period is less greater than or equal to 0.20 a value set by the producing authority in m-m it is considered "increasing". When it is less than or equal to - value set by the producing

**Met opmerkingen [GS6]:** Is "Water Level Height", and "Datum Difference Value" needed here too?

**Met opmerkingen [GS7]:** Is the 0.20 m value appropriate for all areas, including areas of large water level range?

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authority in m 0.2 m, it is “decreasing”. When it is between 0.2 and -0.2 the value set by the producing authority, it is “steady”.

In areas of small water level range, e.g. Baltic Sea, use of “not available” is optional.

### 1.3.2.19 ungeorectified grid

grid with non-uniform point spacing in any coordinate system. Includes triangular irregular networks (TINs) and those curvilinear coordinate grids whose node positions cannot be calculated analytically.

### **4.2.31.3.3 Abbreviations**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| CRS   | Coordinate Reference System                    |
| ECDIS | Electronic Chart Display Information System    |
| EPSG  | European Petroleum Survey Group                |
| ENC   | Electronic Navigational Chart                  |
| IHO   | International Hydrographic Organization        |
| IMO   | International Maritime Organization            |
| ISO   | International Organization for Standardization |

### **4.2.3-4.1.3.3.1 Notation**

In this document conceptual schemas are presented in the Unified Modelling Language (UML). Several model elements used in this schema are defined in ISO standards developed by ISO TC 211, or in IHO S-100. In order to ensure that class names in the model are unique ISO TC/211 has adopted a convention of establishing a prefix to the names of classes that define the TC/211 defined UML package in which the UML class is defined. Since the IHO standards and this product specification make use of classes derived directly from the ISO standards this convention is also followed here. In the IHO standards the class names are identified by the name of the standard, such as “S100” as the prefix optionally followed by the bialpha prefix derived from ISO. For the classes defined in this product specification the prefix is “S104”. In order to avoid having multiple classes instantiating the same root classes, the ISO classes and S-100 classes have been used where possible; however, a new instantiated class is required if there is a need to alter a class or relationship to prevent a reverse coupling between the model elements introduced in this document and those defined in S-100 or the ISO model.

**Table 1.3.3-1 – Sources of externally defined UML classes**

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| Prefix | Standard    | Package   |
|--------|-------------|---|
| CI     | ISO 19115   | Citation and Responsible Party                          |
| CV     | ISO 19123   | Coverage Core & Discrete Coverages                      |
| DQ     | ISO 19115   | Data Quality Information                                |
| DS     | ISO 19115   | Metadata Application Information                        |
| EX     | ISO 19115   | Metadata Extent information                             |
| IF     | ISO 19129   | Imagery Gridded and Coverage Data Framework             |
| LI     | ISO 19115   | Linage Information                                      |
| MD     | ISO 19115   | Metadata entity set information                         |
| MI     | ISO 19115-2 | Metadata entity set imagery                             |
| S100   | IHO S-100   | IHO Standard for Hydrographic Data                      |
| SC     | ISO 19111   | Spatial Referencing by Coordinates                      |
| SD     | ISO 19130   | Sensor Data   |
| S101   | IHO S-101   | IHO Electronic Navigational Chart Product Specification |
| S102   | IHO S-102   | IHO Bathymetric Surface Product Specification           |
| S111   | IHO S-111   | IHO Surface Currents Product Specification              |

### 4.31.4 General Data Product Description

- Title:** Water Level Information for Surface Navigation Product Specification
- Abstract:** Encodes information and parameters for use in making a tidal and water level product.
- Content:** Describes the tidal and water level data contained in the product. The specific content is defined by the feature catalogue and schema.
- Spatial Extent:**
- Description:** Areas where Tidal Information is available
  - East Bounding Longitude:** 180
  - West Bounding Longitude:** -180
  - North Bounding Latitude:** 90
  - South Bounding Latitude:** -90
- Purpose:** The data shall be used to produce a dataset to be used for dynamic water level applications, including an ECDIS.

### 4.41.5 Data Product Specification Metadata

- Title:** IHO S-104 Water Level [Product Specification](#)
- S-100 Version:** 3.0.0
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### 1.4.11.5.1 IHO Product Specification Maintenance

#### 1.4.11.5.1.1 Introduction

Changes to S-104 will be released by the IHO as a new edition, revision, or clarification.

#### 1.4.11.5.1.2 New Edition

New Editions of S-104 introduce significant changes. *New Editions* enable new concepts, such as the ability to support new functions or applications, or the introduction of new constructs or data types. *New Editions* are likely to have a significant impact on either existing users or future users of S-104.

#### 1.4.11.5.1.3 Revisions

*Revisions* are defined as substantive semantic changes to S-104. Typically, revisions will change S-104 to correct factual errors; introduce necessary changes that have become evident as a result of practical experience or changing circumstances. A *revision* must not be classified as a clarification. *Revisions* could have an impact on either existing users or future users of S-104. All cumulative *clarifications* must be included with the release of approved corrections revisions.

Changes in a revision are minor and ensure backward compatibility with the previous versions within the same Edition. Newer revisions, for example, introduce new features and attributes. Within the same Edition, a dataset of one version could always be processed with a later version of the feature and portrayal catalogues.

In most cases a new feature or portrayal catalogue will result in a revision of S-104.

#### 1.4.11.5.1.4 Clarification

Clarifications are non-substantive changes to S-104. Typically, clarifications: remove ambiguity; correct grammatical and spelling errors; amend or update cross references; insert improved graphics in

**Met opmerkingen [JZM8]:** Need to point to final version of specification once published

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spelling, punctuation and grammar. A clarification must not cause any substantive semantic change to S-104.

Changes in a clarification are minor and ensure backward compatibility with the previous versions within the same Edition. Within the same Edition, a dataset of one clarification version could always be processed with a later version of the feature and portrayal catalogues, and a portrayal catalogue can always rely on earlier versions of the feature catalogues.

Changes in a clarification are minor and ensure backward compatibility with the previous versions

### **1.4.1.5.1.5 Version Numbers**

The associated version control numbering to identify changes (n) to S-104 must be as follows:

New Editions denoted as **n**.0.0

Revisions denoted as n.**n**.0

Clarifications denoted as n.n.**n**

## **2 Specification Scopes**

This product specification outlines the types of water level products from the national Hydrographic Office (HO) or authorised producer, to the end user. The data may be historical observation, real-time observation, astronomical prediction, analysis or hybrid method, hindcast or forecast models. Requirements for data and metadata are provided. The three-two data products are:

- a) Time series product, including series of water level heights relative to a vertical datum and the water level trend (rising, falling, etc.). The data products are i) single point product—provision of water level information for a single point in the traditional graphic display mariners are familiar with from hard copy publications and digital tide tables, and ii) gridded data product—provision of water level information for a defined region as a surface, allowing any grid point to be queried as per a traditional single point.

Areas of influence product—a set of polygons that describe specific geographic areas where the water level, which varies in time, is essentially spatially uniform.

- b) Datum separation (“hydroid”) product— this product will provide the mariner the separation surface between the Ellipsoidtwo vertical datum fields, such as a defined ellipsoid and a tidal, or chart, datum for a defined region.

**Scope ID:** Global  
**Level:** 006- series  
**Level name:** Water Level Dataset

## **3 Dataset Identification**

**Title:** Water Level Data Product

**Alternate Title:** None

**Abstract:** This data product is a file containing water level data for a particular geographic region and set of times, along with the accompanying

**Met opmerkingen [GS9]:** Does area of influence information need to be here too, to match 1.1.1 and 4.1?

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metadata describing the content, variables, applicable times, locations and structure of the data product. Water level data is the height of the water observed or mathematically-predicted. The data may consist of water level at a small set of points where observations/or predictions are available or may consist of numerous points organized in a grid as from a hydrodynamic model forecast.

**Topic Category:** Producing authority to choose the most appropriate from the list below:

| Name          | ISO 19115 Domain Code | Definition  |
|---------------|-----------------------|---|
| Elevation     | 006                   | Height above or below mean sea level<br><br>Examples: altitude, bathymetry, digital elevation models, slope, derived products   |
| Inland Waters | 012                   | Inland water features, drainage systems and their characteristics<br><br>Examples: rivers and glaciers, salt lakes, water utilization plans, dams, currents, floods, water quality, Hydrographic charts |
| Oceans        | 014                   | Features and characteristics of salt water bodies (excluding inland waters)<br><br>Examples: tides, tidal waves, coastal information, reefs   |

**Geographic Description:** Areas specific to water navigation

**Spatial Resolution:** The spatial resolution, or the spatial dimension of the earth covered by the size of a grid matrix cell (nominal ground sample distance), varies according to the model adopted by the producer.

**Purpose:** Water level data is intended to be used as stand-alone data or as a layer in an ENC.

**Language:** English

**Classification:** Data can be classified as one of the following:  
 Unclassified  
 Restricted  
 Confidential  
 Secret  
 Top Secret

**Spatial Representation Type:** Coverage

**Point of Contact:** Producing Authority.

**Use Limitation:** Invalid over land

## 4 Data Content and structure

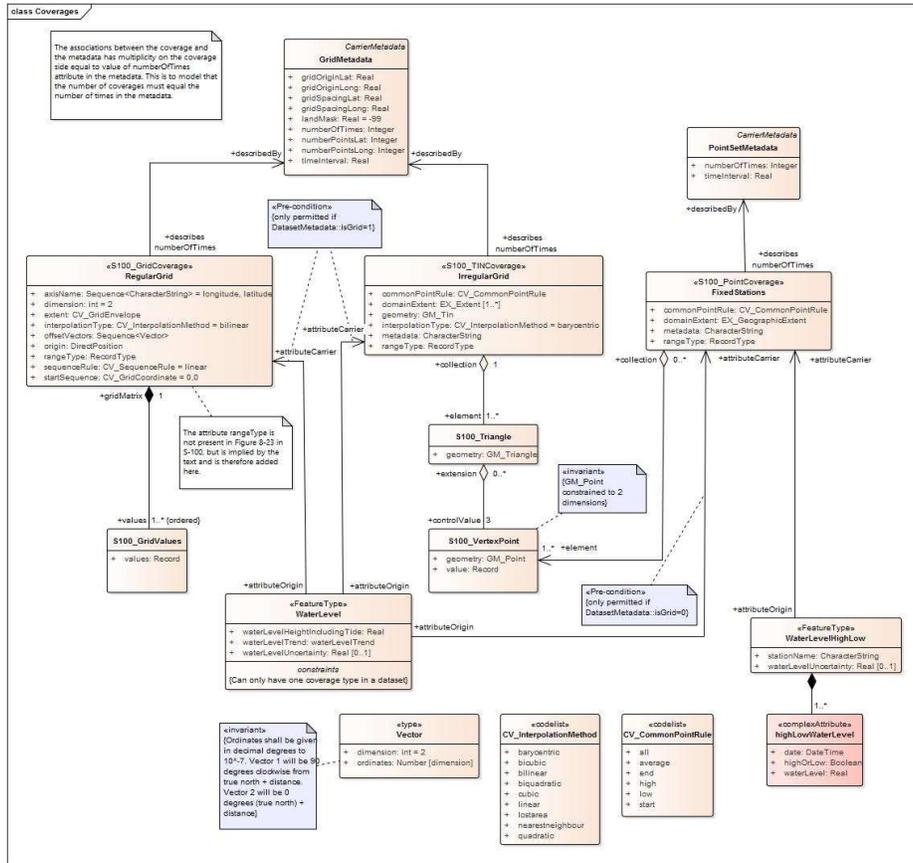
### 4.1 Introduction

This section discusses the application schema, which is described in UML; the feature catalogue; dataset types, in which there is an extensive discussion of the water level data; dataset loading and unloading; and geometry.

Water level data consist of three-two basic types:

1. a time series of water level at a point of time height and trend relative to a vertical datum. The data can be represented as a time series of values for either a single point (i.e. one geographic location) or for an array of points contained in a grid. Time and datum information are contained in the metadata.  
~~— The gridded Hydroid area of influence information, which consists of a set of polygons that describe specific geographic areas, plus a centroid location(?). Time and datum information are contained in the metadata.~~
2. a datum separation product (e.g., a hydroid), which provides the separation between a chart datum relative to and a defined ellipsoid that matches what. Datum information is used for the chart created by contained in the same product producer metadata.

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## 4.2 Application Schema

This application schema is expressed in UML. The details of the application schema are given in ANNEX C.

## 4.3 Feature Catalogue

### 4.3.1 Introduction

The S-104 Feature Catalogue describes the feature types, information types, attributes, attribute values, associations and roles which may be used in the product. See ANNEX D – Feature Catalogue

The S-104 Feature Catalogue is available in an XML document which conforms to the S-100 XML Feature Catalogue Schema and can be downloaded from the IHO website.

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### 4.3.2 Feature Types

#### 4.3.2.1 Geographic

Geographic (geo) feature types form the principle content of S-104 and fully defined by their associated attributes.

#### 4.3.2.2 Meta

Meta features contain information about other features within a data set. Information defined by meta features override the default metadata values defined by the data set descriptive records. Meta attribution on individual features overrides attribution on meta features.

### 4.3.3 Feature Relationship

A feature relationship links instances of one feature type with instances of the same or a different feature type. There are three common types of feature relationship: Association, Aggregation and Composition. In S-104 there are no relationships used.

### 4.3.4 Attributes

S-100 defines attribute as either simple or complex. S-104 uses **eight three** types of simple attributes; listed in Table 4.1. There are no complex attributes.

**Met opmerkingen [GS10]:** Are only Enumeration and Real types used for feature attributes in S-104?

**Met opmerkingen [GS11R10]:** Real, Enumeration, and DateTime are the 3 types of simple attributes used. They are used for waterLevelHeight, waterLevelTrend, and waterLevelTime, respectively.

**Table 4-1 - Simple feature attribute types.**

| Type            | Definition  |
|-----------------|---|
| Enumeration     | A fixed list of valid identifiers of named literal values   |
| Boolean         | A value representing binary logic. The value can be either <i>True</i> or <i>False</i> . The default state for Boolean type attributes (i.e. where the attribute is not populated for the feature) is <i>False</i> .  |
| Real            | A signed Real (floating point) number consisting of a mantissa and an exponent  |
| Integer         | A signed integer number. The representation of an integer is encapsulation and usage dependent.   |
| CharacterString | An arbitrary length sequence of characters including accents and special characters from a repertoire of one of the adopted character sets  |
| Date            | A date provides values for year, month and day according to the Gregorian Calendar. Character encoding of a date is a string which must follow the calendar date format (complete representation, basic format) for date specified by ISO 8601:1988.<br>EXAMPLE — 19980918 (YYYYMMDD) |
| Time            | A time is given by an hour, minute and second. Character encoding of a time is a string that follows the local time (complete representation, basic format) format defined in ISO 8601:1988.<br>EXAMPLE — 183059 or 183059+0100 or 183059Z  |
| Date and Time   | A DateTime is a combination of a date and a time type. Character encoding of a DateTime shall follow ISO 8601:1988<br>EXAMPLE 19850412T101530   |

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### 4.3.5 Spatial Quality

Spatial quality attributes (Figure 4.1) are carried in an information class called **spatial quality**. Only points, multipoint and curves can be associated with spatial quality.

Water levels are usually defined at one or more individual locations, so spatial quality applies to these locations. The spatial quality will list the following:

For Single station data product:

- 1) Port Type- a) Standard/Major or b) Secondary/minor
- 2) Sigma confidence of predictions/models or
- 3) Instrument measuring accuracy for observed

For Gridded data product:

- 1) Sigma confidence of predictions/model

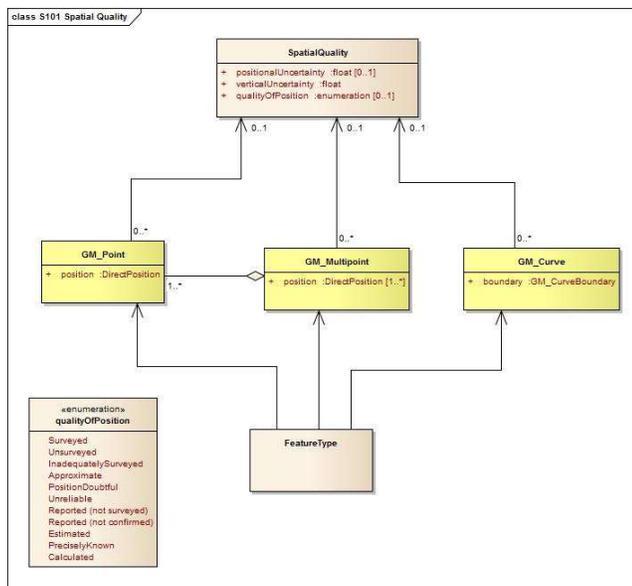


Figure 4.1 - Spatial Quality Information Type

Met opmerkingen [JZM12]: S100 Review: Describe how quality is handled by the data created in S-104 and create specific examples that relates to S-104 including diagram

Met opmerkingen [GS13]: Figure is missing- use same as in S-111, or different?

### 4.4 Dataset Types

Datasets for S-104 include [three](#) basic types:

1. HDF5 files, which may contain (a) time series of predicted or observed water level heights and trends at one or more fixed stations, (b) gridded hydrodynamic model forecast fields, and (c) gridded datum separation (e.g., ellipsoid-to-chart datum) fields.

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2. GML files, which may contain a set of longitude-latitude pairs describing the vertices of the area-of-influence polygons plus additional information describing connecting line shapes (e.g. straight or curved);

**NOTE:** potentially, some of the information in GML files may be included in the HDF5 files.

3. AIS ASM files, which may contain time, location, water level height, and water level trend information for one or more single stations.

**NOTE:** it has not been determined where some additional information, such as that identifying the area of influence for the water level data, will reside.

**Met opmerkingen [JZ14]:** Not files – relayed message

### 4.5 Dataset Loading and Unloading

< This section is only needed if the intended product specification has datasets that have multiple scales and would require a loading strategy >

**Met opmerkingen [JZM15]:** S100 Review: use this section if intended to restrict data loading e.g. gridded data to certain scale of ENC.

### 4.6 Spatial Schema

#### 4.6.1 Coverages

For an ECDIS, water level data and datum separation fields (“hydroid”), are formatted in two ways: arrays of points contained in a regular grid, and sets of points not described by a regular grid. Further details on the data products are given in Clause 10 – Data Product Format.

Water level data have three basic types, based on their sources:

1. observed or predicted values at a number of stationary locations,
2. predicted values (often from hydrodynamic models) arranged in a regular grid, and
3. values at multiple locations but not in a regular grid.

The three types of water level data and the datum separation fields have structures that can be described by two S-100 coverages: S100 PointCoverage and S100 GridCoverage (S-100 v 4.0.0, Clause 8-7).

**Met opmerkingen [JZM16]:** S100 Review: Expand section to provide sufficient details on geometry structures used in S-104.

**Grid Coverage** The class S100 GridCoverage represents a set of values assigned to the points in a two-dimensional grid. Attributes include *interpolationType*, *dimension*, *axisNames*, *origin*, *coordinateReferenceSystem*, *offsetVectors*, *origin*, *extent*, *sequencingRule*, *startSequence*, and *rangeType*.

**Point Coverage** The class S100 PointCoverage represents a set of values, such as water level height and trend values, assigned to a set of arbitrary X,Y points. Each point is identified by a horizontal coordinate geometry pair (X,Y) and assigned one or more values as attribute values. These values are organized in a record for each point. Attributes include *domainExtent*, *rangeType*, *metadata*, *commonPointRule*, *geometry*, and *value*.

The types of water level data and their corresponding coverages are shown in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2 – Water level data types and their coverages.

| N | Type of Data   | Coverage   |
|---|--|------------|
| 1 | Time series data at one or more stationary locations                     | S100 Point |
| 2 | Regularly-gridded data at one or more times                              | S100 Grid  |
| 3 | Ungeorectified gridded data, TIN, or point set data at one or more times | S100 Point |

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The datum separation field data and their corresponding coverages are shown in Table 4.3.

Table 4.3 – Datum separation data types and their coverages.

| <u>N</u> | <u>Type of Data</u>   | <u>Coverage</u>   |
|----------|---|-------------------|
| <u>1</u> | <u>Separation distance at one location</u>                                  | <u>S100_Point</u> |
| <u>2</u> | <u>Regularly-gridded separation distance</u>                                | <u>S100_Grid</u>  |
| <u>3</u> | <u>Ungeorectified gridded data or point set data of separation distance</u> | <u>S100_Point</u> |

### Surfaces

Areas of influence are formatted in polygons whose vertices are described by arrays of longitude-latitude pairs.

The areas of influence have structures that can be described by GM\_Surface (S-100 v 4.0.0, Clause 7-4).

## 5 Coordinate Reference Systems (CRS)

The location of a feature in the S-100 standard is defined by means of coordinates, which relate a feature to a position. The S-104 CRS is a compound system, with a two-dimensional ellipsoidal horizontal component and a one-dimensional datum-related vertical component (cf. S-100, Part 6 – Coordinate Reference Systems).

### 5.1 Horizontal Reference System

For S-104 products, the horizontal CRS must be the ellipsoidal (geodetic) system EPSG:4326 (WGS 84). The full reference to EPSG: 4326 can be found at [www.epsg-registry.org](http://www.epsg-registry.org).

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Horizontal coordinate reference system:</b> | EPSG: 4326 (WGS 84)                                       |
| <b>Projection:</b>                             | None  |
| <b>Coordinate reference system registry:</b>   | <a href="#">EPSG Geodetic Parameter Registry</a>          |
| <b>Date type (according to ISO 19115):</b>     | 002 - publication   |
| <b>Responsible party:</b>                      | International Association of Oil and Gas Producers (IOGP) |

### 5.2 Vertical Reference System

The vertical coordinate is directed upwards (i.e. away from the Earth's centre) from its origin, the vertical datum, and is expressed in units of metres. That is, a positive value for the level of the water level relative to the vertical datum means that the level is above the vertical datum. The vertical datum is not an ellipsoid but is the defined chart datum for the area of interest. The vertical datum must be consistent with the bathymetric CRS in S-102.

### 5.3 Temporal Reference System

The temporal reference system is the Gregorian calendar for date and UTC for time. Time is measured by reference to Calendar dates and Clock time in accordance with ISO 19108:2002, Temporal Schema clause 5.4.4. A date variable will have the following 8-character format: *yyyymmdd*. A time variable will have the following 7-character format: *hhmmssZ*. A date-time variable will have the following 16-character format: *yyyymmddThhmmssZ*.

## 6 Data Quality

### 6.1 Introduction

Quality of water level data for navigation consists of quality of the observed/predicted/forecast data, quality of the positional data, and quality of the time stamp. Quality of the observed data depends on the accuracy of the water level gauges and their processing techniques, and is normally available in field survey reports or quality controlled analyses. Quality of predicted/forecast data depends on quality, timeliness, and spatial coverage of the input data as well as the mathematical techniques. Temporal accuracy for observational data is normally available in field survey reports or quality controlled analyses. Temporal accuracy for predicted/forecast data is normally described in technical reports.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM17]:** S-100 Review: Add explanation of how data quality is captured and move how data quality is calculated to the Data Classification and Encoding Guide (ection).

### 6.2 Completeness

A time series is complete when there is a value or a null indicator at every time in the series. A water level coverage data set is complete when the grid or point set coverage value matrix contains height value or null (missing) value for every vertex point defined in the grid, and when all of the mandatory associated metadata is provided. See ANNEX E – TEST OF COMPLETENESS (NORMATIVE)

**Met opmerkingen [GS18]:** Ensure this Annex is there

Treatment of null (missing) values for real-time observations (no data sent for that time stamp),. manufacturers to default to predicted/modelled information on ECDIS.

NLD propose the use of “NaN” – not a Number to indicate missing data.

## 7 Data Capture and Classification

The water level product contains data processed from sensors or derived from the output from mathematical models. In most cases, the data collected by the producing authority must be translated, sub-setted, reorganized, or otherwise processed to restructure into a usable data format.

### 7.1 Data Sources for Water Levels

Water level data comes primarily from a few specific sources: observations, astronomical predictions, analyses, and forecast models. When such data are produced and quality-controlled by an approved producing authority (IHO Resolution A6.3 & A6.9, S-62), they are suitable for inclusion in the Water level data product. See ANNEX F – WATER LEVEL DATA

**Met opmerkingen [GS19]:** Ensure this Annex is there

**Observational Data:** Observational water level data comes initially from *in situ* sensors in the field (.e.g. tide gauges deployed along channel) and are monitored by the data collecting authority. After reception, the data are quality controlled and stored by the producing authority. Some of the observed data may be available for distribution within minutes of being collected and are this-described as being ‘in real time. Other data may be days or years old, and are called historical data.

**Astronomical Predictions:** Astronomical predictions are produced when a sufficiently long time series of observed water level has been obtained and the data has been harmonically analyzed by the producing authority to produce a set of amplitude and phase constants. The harmonic values can then be used to predict the astronomical component of the water level as a time series covering any desired time interval. Data available for single stations or numerous, may be arranged by the producing authority into a gridded field.

**Analyzed and Hybrid Values:** Analyzed water level values may be produced from sea-surface topography, data assimilation, statistical correlations or other means. A hybrid method combines two of or more approaches.

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**Hindcast and Forecast Data:** Hydrodynamic models numerically solve a set of fluid dynamic equations in two or three dimensions, and rely on observational data, including water levels and winds, to supply boundary conditions. Model grids may be either regular or irregular. Such models are often run several times per day, and in each run there is usually a hindcast and a forecast. The hindcast is a model simulation that attempts to recreate present conditions by using the most recent observational data, while a forecast is a simulation made for many hours in-to the future using predicted winds, water levels, etc. The results are saved for a limited number of times, and are stored as arrays that derive from the model's grid. These models and methods are developed, run and monitored by the HO.

These descriptions are summarized in Tables 7.1.

Table 7.1 – Types of water level data, based on the source of the data.

| Type | Name                      | Description  |
|------|---------------------------|--|
| 1    | Historical observation    | Observation made hours, days, etc., in the past  |
| 2    | Real-time observation     | Observation no more than a few minutes old   |
| 3    | Astronomical prediction   | Value computed using harmonic constants only   |
| 4    | Analysis or hybrid method | Calculation by statistical or other indirect methods, or a combination of methods  |
| 5    | Hindcast                  | Gridded data from a two- or three-dimensional dynamic simulation of past conditions using only observed data for boundary forcing, via statistical method or combination |
| 6    | Forecast                  | Gridded data from a two- or three-dimensional dynamic simulation of future conditions using predicted data for boundary forcing, via statistical method or combination   |

## 7.2 Data Sources for Datum Separation Fields

For datum separation fields, usually a knowledge of the separation at a number of locations is required, generally at water level stations (where a tidal datum is available). Spatial variations over the regions can be estimated by spatial interpolation methods or with the help of hydrodynamic models.

### 7.2.3 The Production Process

Nearly all available information on water level from the Producer must be reformatted to meet the standards of this Product Specification (Figure 10.1 - the S-104 format). This means (a) populating the carrier metadata block (Section 12.3) with the relevant data and (b) reorganizing the water level data when using the encoding rules (see ANNEX G – HDF5 Encoding for gridded data). Need encoding rules for non gridded data.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM20]:** S100- Review: add production process for point set datasets as its own chapter.

**Met opmerkingen [GS21]:** Ensure this Annex is there

#### 7.2.17.3.1 Metadata

Metadata is derivable from the information available from the approved authority. The following variables will require additional processing:

**Met opmerkingen [JZM22]:** S100 Review: Add a section on production metadata; such as when the data is valid, when the data was issued, who compiled the data, datums etc.

- The bounding rectangle is computable from either the distribution of stations or nodes, or from grid parameters
- Position uncertainties may be available from the approved authority's metadata;
- Water level uncertainty may be available from the prediction model, specification of the water level gauge or calculated from observations;

**Met opmerkingen [JZM23]:** S100 review: add text to state the bounding rectangle is encoded using the E\_GeographicBoundingBox type in the bounding box attributes of S100\_dataCoverage field in S100\_datasetDiscoveryMetadata.

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**7.2.27.3.2 Water Level Data**

Observational water level and astronomical water level predictions at a single location and gridded forecast data must normally be reformatted to fit the S-104 standard. The following may require additional calculations:

- For gridded data. If a land mask array is included, the mask value (-9999) is substituted into the gridded values as appropriate.
- Time stamps must be encoded as UTC.

**8 Maintenance**

**Maintenance and Update Frequency:** Water level is always moving, so more-or-less- continual revision or updating of the data is essential. For real-time observations, new values are periodically collected (e.g. every 6 minutes). For a forecast, the entire field of water levels is created one or more times per day. New issues of real-time observations or forecasts should be considered new editions.

Water level harmonic constant data are updated much less often, typically on an annual basis.

Table 8.1 summarizes this information.

Table 8.1 – Typical update/revision intervals and related information

For S-104 products produced by a single Producer.

| Data Types                             | Interval | Number Of Spatial Locations | Number Of Time Values Per Location               |
|--|----------|-----------------------------|--|
| Harmonic Constant<br>Tidal Predictions | 1 year   | 100 to 1,000                | 52560 (10 minute data) or<br>8,760 (hourly data) |
| Model Forecasts                        | 6 hr     | 100,000 to 1,000,000        | 1 to 24  |
| Real-time Observations                 | 0.1 hr   | 1 to 10                     | 1 to 240   |

**Data Source:** Data is produced by the producing authority through the collection of observed values, predicting astronomical tides, or running analysis or hindcast/forecast. This data is typically quality-controlled and reformatted to conform to file size limitations and the S-104 standard encoding.

**Production Process:** S-104 datasets, including the metadata and the coverages for water level, are updated by replacement of the entire data product. Producers routinely collect observational data and maintain an analysis and/or forecast capability. When new data becomes available (often several times per day), the data is reformatted and made available for dissemination.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM24]:** S100 Review: Reconsider the use of editions for describing new water level datasets. The issue is highlighted is consider the example of a new edition issued for every real-time observation at 6 minute interval will be ~ 600 edition per day.

**Met opmerkingen [ZJ25]:** Consider changing editions to "updates"?

## 9 Portrayal

**Met opmerkingen [JZM26]:** S100 Review: Create a portrayal catalogue, the different product formats need to be considered.

### 9.1 Introduction

This section describes means of displaying water level data to support navigation, route planning and route monitoring. Three types of data are discussed in depth. The first is point data, which would apply to historical data, astronomical predictions, forecast/hindcast, and real-time data. The second is regularly gridded data, which would apply to analyses, hindcasts and forecasts. For gridded or point set data, the water level portrayal characteristics used for single-point data can be adapted to displaying data at multiple points.

For example, a point portrayal may be provided to display water level at significant locations such as where real-time observations are available. A gridded portrayal may be provided for voyage planning where a mariner’s selection of routes may be influenced by water level at certain way points. Note that not all portrayal categories (point and gridded) may be available for all types of water level data (historical observations, real-time observations, astronomical predictions, and forecast total water level).

All recommended sizes are given assuming a minimum size ECDIS display of 270 by 270 mm or 864 by 864 pixels.

Three portrayal options are provided because of the different types of information that could be supplied. *The options listed below are to allow Members State cater for the information that they have available for their countries. Intent is that the mariner will want to use the data for route planning and real-time navigation.*

### 9.2 Display of Water Level at a Single Point

Portrayal of water level using single point data should be used in instances where the data source is a water level (e.g. a historical or real-time water level measuring device) at a single geographic location. All text and line colour will be in black unless stated otherwise. The portrayal options are (1) a symbol at the location of the water level data source, (2) a text box containing information on the height, trend, etc., and (3) a graphic plot showing the height over time.

**NOTE:** All text and line colour will be in black unless stated otherwise.

#### 9.2.1 Symbol

The water level point will be represented by symbol entered in the S-100 GI Registry (see Table 9.1).

Table 9.1 – Beta version of the tide station symbol in the GI Registry.

| Symbol  | Name     | Definition   |
|---|----------|--|
|  | TIDEHT01 | point for which tide height information is available |

#### 9.2.2 Text Box

The information displayed within a window (minimum of 100 x 100 pixels. See Figure 9.2) will be dependent on water level information type. See Table 9.2 for a breakdown of information

Table 9.2 - Numerical information displayed at the location of a water level.

| Water Level Type | Information Displayed |
|------------------|-----------------------|
|                  |                       |

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|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| All types | UniqueName, date and time stamp (Ship time zone), water level, trend, water level type, additional information (link to create pick report) |
|-----------|---|

**Met opmerkingen [JZM27]:** S-100WG Define what a Unique name is and how it first within the Maritime Resource Name concept



**Met opmerkingen [GS28]:** Consider adding/naming vertical datum reference

**Met opmerkingen [ZJ29R28]:** Why? This data should be supplied on the same datum as the chart in use. There should be a machine check that the tide predictions are on the same datum as S-101 and S-102 products and a warning that the data cannot be loaded if conflicting datum.

**Met opmerkingen [GS30R28]:** Agreed!

Figure 9.2 – Sample text box for a single water level station.

The numerical value of the water level is a number in metres in black text on white background (or the inverse for night vision). This display should be made available when the cursor is held over the data point.

If available, “Additional information” will be supplied on a priority level or possible via “pick report” (S-100 WG on working on this option via statistical method or combination (see Table 9.3).

**Table 9-3 Priority for additional information**

| Priority Level | Additional Information  |
|----------------|---|
| 1              | Only that listed in Table 9.2   |
| 2              | Data Source, Latitude, Longitude, Graphic plot display  |
| 3              | Uncertainty in water level, uncertainty in horizontal position, uncertainty in vertical position, uncertainty in time |

The numerical value of the water level is a number in metres in black text on white background (or the inverse for night vision). This display should be made available when the cursor is held over the data point.

**9.2.3 Graphic Time Series Plot**

The availability of the graphic plot display (605x650 pixels), should be a link in the window mentioned in 9.2.1 that creates another window/tab displaying up to 7 days of water level. The mariner will have the option to change between 3 hours, 6 hours, 12 hours, 1 day, 3, 5 or 7 day display. The display will have the option to display two plots within the one window; a primary plot and a secondary plot. The number of plots shown will depend on dataset availability for the area in question.

Line and text transparency must be adjusted according to ECDIS standard (S-57, S-101), see S-111 section 9.2 for guidance. The colours to be used for lines are shown in Table 9.4. Text colour is black.

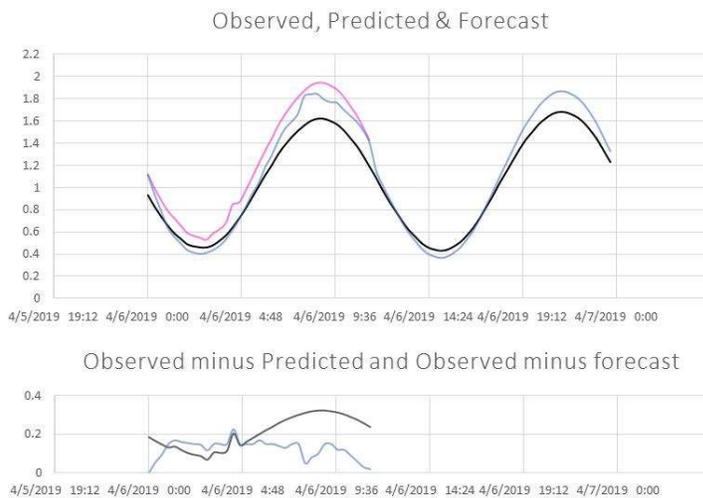
Table 9.4 - Data Type Colours for Graphic Plot window.  
See Clause 7.1 for definitions of predicted and forecast.

| Data Type    | Plot Colour |
|--------------|-------------|
| Primary plot |             |
| Observed     | Magenta     |
| Predicted    | Black       |

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|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Forecast                 | Blue  |
| <i>Secondary plot</i>    |       |
| Observed minus Predicted | Black |
| Observed minus Forecast  | Blue  |

A maximum limit of three-five lines in total are to be plotted: 1) Observed, pPrediction (astronomical) and Forecast, and Observed minus Predicted and Observed minus Forecast. ~~or (2) Observed, Predicted, Observed minus Predicted.~~ The following must be included in the plot space: (1) a Unique Name (for the station) and the water level scenario, (2) date and time information, (3) height scale, and (4) vertical datum reference. A sample plot for one station is shown in Figure 9.3.



**Figure 9.3 – Sample one-day plot of a time series of observed, forecast, and observed minus forecast (Scenario 1) water level heights.**

Multiple lines can be plotted on the graphic plot window at the same time and the colours are used to differentiate the data type. Data types with the same colours are plotted on different plots. Note that other ECDIS standards will define when this graphic plot can be displayed, due to the size of the window covering the screen size.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM31]:** Note the dashed lines was considered but discounted by the WG members who indicated difficulty following lines on a small plot window.

**9.3 Display of Gridded Data**

The display of gridded data depicts water level surface information at each individual point having the qualities described in Section 9.2. As with single point water level data, a mouse click on the chart area will display the information from the grid node nearest to that point.

**NOTE 1:** There is no adjustment of bathymetry data because this option is outside the scope of this Product Specification.

**NOTE 2:** There are no specifications for the display of a water surface from gridded data in this Product Specification edition.

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### 9.4 Temporal Considerations

The time selected for display (i.e. past, present or future) of the water level by the system will typically not correspond exactly to the timestamp of the input data. For data with only a single record (i.e. the timestamp of the earliest values equals that of the latest value) such as real-time data, the water level values are displayed only if the absolute difference between the display time and the data timestamp is less than a discrimination interval (e.g. 5 minutes). For a single record, the variable *timeRecordInterval* (see Clause 12.3) can be used to set the discrimination interval.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM32]:** S100 Review: What happened to data outside of the discrimination interval? Consequences?

For data with multiple times, if selected display time is later than the first timestamp and earlier than the last timestamp, then the closest two timestamps (i.e. one earlier and one later) in the data are found and the water level values are linearly interpolated. However, if the selected display time is earlier than the first timestamp or later than the last timestamp, the water level values at the closest time are displayed only if the absolute time difference between the display time and the data time stamp is less than a discrimination interval (e.g. half the value of the variable *timeRecordInterval*).

### 9.5 Interoperability

Interoperability principles determine priority in display of elements so that important image elements, such as depth numerals, are not obscured by water level values. Water level portrayal will conform to interoperability rules when they are established.

## 10 Data Product Format (Encoding)

### 10.1 Introduction

The Water level Data Products must be encoded using one of the listed formats. The structure of the data product is discussed in the next section. There will be a minimum of two-one formats to handle data:

**Met opmerkingen [JZM33]:** S100 Review: need to complete the list of formats for each data type

a) ~~AIS for real-time water level data.~~

**Met opmaak:** Geen opsommingstekens of nummering

a) HDF5 for water level height and trend data types, as well as datum separation fields, for other dissemination methods

**Character Set:** MD\_CharacterSetCode (ISO19115) should be set to utf8

**Met opmerkingen [ZJ34]:**

**Specification:** S-100 profile of HDF5 and GML AIS specification for ASM

### 10.2 AIS ASM Product Structure

**Met opmerkingen [GS35]:** Should remove section 10.2 as real-time water level data will go into Ed 2.0.0 or later.

The information that can be delivered through the AIS system is limited to information that can be delivered as part of the AIS FI-31 Meteorological and Hydrographic data.

The AIS FI-31 allows the following fixed order of feature types:

**Name:** Meteorological and Hydrographic Data AIS Application-Specific Message  
Dynamic Water Level Data Feature Catalogue

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**Scope:** Catalogue containing features associated with making Dynamic Water Level Data available for transmission in Meteorological and Hydrographic Data AIS Application-Specific Messages

**Field of application:** Marine navigation (as shown in S-100 Part 11, B-1 Example Product Specification – tbc)

**Version Number:** 1.0

**Version Date:** November 2014

**Producer:** International Hydrographic Organization

**Functional Language:** English

**Spatial Use:** Each AIS station will be limited to ENC NAV 5 and NAV6 boundaries. S-129 services to take precedence.

See ANNEX H for additional information.

A summary of the parameters relating to water level are shown in the table below (the complete table is in ANNEX H). Only one station per message is allowed.

Table 10.1 – Summary of the 14 variables in the Meteorological and Hydrographic Data AIS Application-Specific Message that apply to real-time water levels. Default values are used in the remaining slots (Annex H).

| <b>N</b> | <b>Parameter</b>         | <b>No. bits</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
|----------|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1        | Message ID               | 6               | Identifier for Message 8, always 8.  |
| 2        | Repeat Indicator         | 2               | Used by the repeater to indicate how many times a message has been repeated.<br>0 - 3<br>0 = default<br>3 = do not repeat anymore  |
| 3        | Source ID                | 30              | MMSI number of source station  |
| 4        | Spare                    | 2               | Not used. Set to zero.   |
| 5        | IAI                      | 16              | DAC = 001; FI = 31   |
| 6        | Longitude                | 25              | Longitude in 1/1,000 min, ±180 degrees as per 2's complement (East = positive, West = negative).<br>181 = not available = default  |
| 7        | Latitude                 | 24              | Latitude in 1/1,000 min, ±90 degrees as per 2's complement (North = positive, South = negative).<br>91 = not available = default   |
| 8        | Position Accuracy        | 1               | 1 = high (<10 m; Differential Mode of, e.g., DGNS receiver)<br>0 = low (>10 m; Autonomous Mode of, e.g., GNSS receiver or of other electronic position fixing device)<br>default = 0   |
| 9        | UTC Day                  | 5               | 1 - 31<br>0 = not available = default  |
| 10       | UTC Hour                 | 5               | 0 - 23<br>24 = not available = default   |
| 11       | UTC Minute               | 6               | 0 - 59<br>60 = not available = default   |
| 22       | Water Level (incl. tide) | 12              | Deviation from local chart datum, in 0.01 metre steps. -10.0 to +30.0 metres<br>A value representing 0 - 4,000 is sent by the 12 binary bits. The water level is achieved by adding -10.0 to the sent value.<br>Water level = (Integer value /100) – 10 for Integer = 0-4,000<br>4,001 = not available = default |

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|    |                   |   |   |
|----|-------------------|---|---|
|    |                   |   | 4.002 – 4.095 (reserved for future use)                                       |
| 23 | Water Level Trend | 2 | 0 = steady<br>1 = decreasing<br>2 = increasing<br>3 = not available = default |

**10.3 HDF5 Product Structure for Time Series and Gridded Data**

The key idea at the core of the structure is this: the organization of the information is substantially the same for each of the various types of data, but the information itself will be interpreted differently.

**10.3.1 Data Type Definition**

HDF5 will be used for all water level data types for dissemination methods other than AIS, as well as for datum separation fields.

**Format Name:** HDF5  
**Character Set:** MD CharacterSetCode (ISO 19115)  
**Specification:** S-100 profile of HDF5

This product format is designed to be flexible enough to apply to water level and datum difference values in the form of (a) data at one or more times for one or more individual, fixed stations, (b) regularly-gridded data for one or more times, and (c) ungeorectified gridded data for one or more times. This approach contains, for each type, data in a similar format but which is interpreted differently. Since each type of data will be interpreted differently, the type of data must be identified by the variable *dataCodingFormat*, as shown in Table 10.1.

Table 10.1 – Values of the variable *dataCodingFormat*. (see S-100 Ed 4.0.0, Table 10c-4).

| dataCodingFormat | Type of Data   |
|------------------|--|
| 1                | Time series data at one or more fixed stations                     |
| 2                | Regularly-gridded data at one or more times                        |
| 3                | Ungeorectified gridded data or point set data at one or more times |
| 4                | Fixed stations with associated areas                               |
| 7                | TIN data   |
| 8                | Time series at fixed stations (stationwise)                        |

**Met opmerkingen [GS36]:** This is probably a question for S-100WG: Do we release S-104 Ed 1.0.0 compliant with S-100 Ed 4.0.0 or Ed 5.0.0? For example, Ed 5.0.0 will have dataCodingFormat = 8.

For all data types, the product structure in HDF5 includes (a) a metadata block, which is followed by (b) one or more Groups which contain the actual water level data. The water level information is saved in arrays that hold either gridded data or a time series.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM37]:** S100 Review: in theory HDF5 can support fixed station with zones, e.g. all cells have the same value and where there is no data a null or land mask must be encoded.

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**10.3.2 Sample Types**

For regularly gridded data, the water level array is two dimensional, with dimensions *numPointsLongitudinal* and *numPointsLatitudinal*. By knowing the grid origin and the grid spacings, the position of every point in the grid can be computed by simple formulae.

However, for time series data and irregularly gridded data (i.e., when *dataCodingFormat* is 1, or 3), the location of each point must be specified individually. This is accomplished by the data in Group XY, which gives the individual longitude (X) and latitude (Y) for each location. For time series data, the X and Y values are the positions of the stations; the number of stations is *numberOfStations*. For irregularly-gridded data, the X and Y values are the positions of each point in the grid; the number of grid points is *numberOfNodes*.

NOTE: If *dataCodingFormat* is 2, Group XY is not present.

The remaining Groups each contain a title, a date-time value, and the water level array. The title can be used to identify each individual station with time-series data. For *dataCodingFormat* = 2 or 3, the date-time is for the entire grid. The water level array is a two dimensional, with a number of columns (*numCOL*) and rows (*numROW*). For a time series, the water level value will be for each time in the series. For a grid, the water value will be for each point in the grid.

The Groups are numbered 1, 2, etc., up to the maximum number of Groups, *numGRP*. For fixed station data, the number of Groups is the number of stations. For regular and irregular grids, the number of Groups is the number of time records

**10.3.2.1 Generalized Dimensions**

To summarize, for non-regularly gridded data only, there is an initial Group with X and Y position, stored in one-dimensional arrays of size *numPOS*. Following that, there are data Groups containing water level data, which are stored in either one-dimensional arrays of size *numROWS* or two-dimensional arrays of size *numROWS* by *numCOLS*. The total number of data Groups is *numGRPS*.

The four variables that determine the array sizes (*numROWS*, *numCOLS*, *numPOS*, and *numGRPS*) are different, depending upon which coding format is used. Their descriptions are given in Table 10.2.

Table 10.2 – The array dimensions used in the data product-

| Data Coding Format | Data Type           | Positioning      | Data Values           |                      |                               |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
|                    |                     | numPOS           | numCOLS               | numROWS              | numGRP                        |
| 1                  | Fixed Stations      | numberOfStations | 1numberOfTimes        | numberOfStations+1   | numberOfTimesnumberOfStations |
| 2                  | Regular Grid        | (not used)       | numPointsLongitudinal | numPointsLatitudinal | numberOfTimes                 |
| 3                  | Ungeorectified Grid | numberOfNodes    | 1numberOfNodes        | numberOfNodes+1      | numberOfTimes                 |
| Z                  | TIN                 | numberOfNodes    | 1                     | numberOfNodes        | numberOfTimes                 |

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|   |                              |                  |   |               |                  |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|---|---------------|------------------|
| 8 | Fixed Stations (Stationwise) | numberOfStations | 1 | numberOfTimes | numberOfStations |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|---|---------------|------------------|

The overall structure of the water level data product is created by assembling the data and metadata. The product structure is compliant with the HDF5 data architecture, which allows multi-dimensional arrays of data to be grouped with metadata. The format of the data product (cf. Figure F.5) described above is portrayed in Figure 10.1. The Carrier Metadata is discussed in Clause 12.3.

Met opmerkingen [GS38]: Where is this?

**NOTE:** The name of each Group is the 'Group\_nnn', where nnnn is numbered from 1 to numGRP.

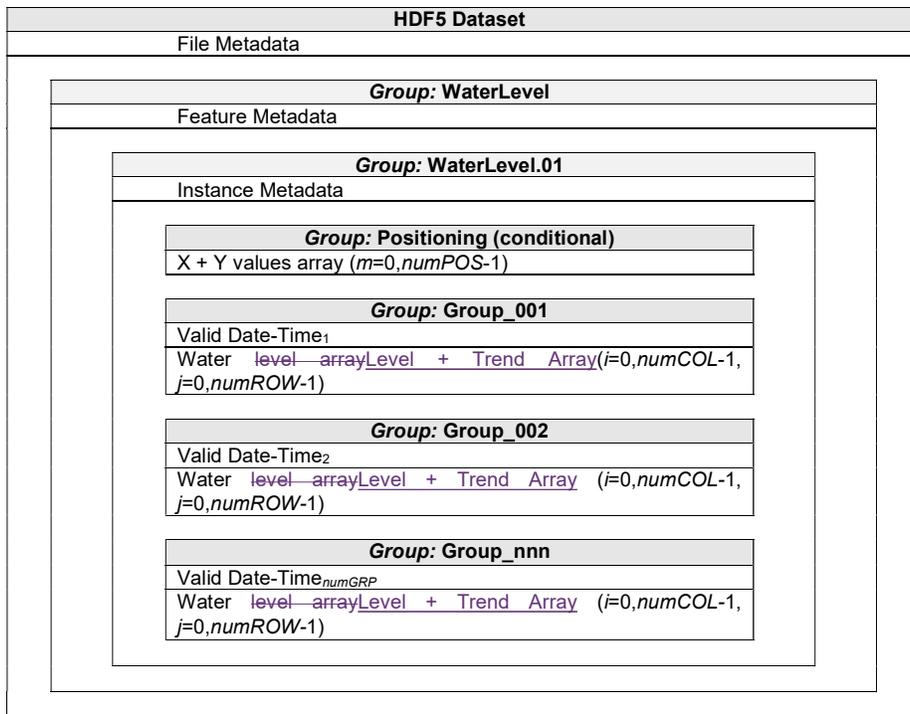


Figure 110.1 - Schematic of the S-104 HDF5 data product structure. The four parameters numPOS, numCOL, numROW, and numGRP are explained in Table 10.2. Group 'Positioning' appears only for dataCodingFormat = 1 or 3 (Table 10.2).

**10.3.2.2 Digital Certification Block**

Information here is used to certify the validity or integrity of the data.

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### 10.3.3 Encoding of Latitude and Longitude

Values of latitude and longitude must be accurate to 7 decimal places. Coordinates must be encoded as decimals in the format described below. The encoding is indicated by multiplication factor fields defined in the dataset identification record.

### 10.3.4 Encoding of Coordinates as Decimals

Values should be coded as decimal numbers with 7 or fewer digits after the decimal. The normative encoding is in degrees, with an accuracy of  $10^{-7}$  degrees, i.e., up to 7 digits after the decimal point.

The decimal point must be indicated by the "." character.

Trailing zeroes after the decimal point (and the decimal point itself if appropriate) may be omitted at producer discretion, but the accuracy must still be as indicated (e.g.,  $10^{-7}$  degrees for coordinates of default accuracy).

Latitude and longitude multiplication factors held in the Dataset Structure Information field under [coordMultFactorX] and [coordMultFactorY] must be set to a value corresponding to the encoding, i.e., {1} for coordinates encoded in decimal degrees.

EXAMPLE 1 \_\_\_\_\_ A longitude = 42.0000 is converted into  $X = \text{longitude} * \text{coordMultFactorX} = 42.0000 * 1 = 42.0000000$ .

## 11 Data Product Delivery

### 11.1 Introduction

This section describes how the water level data product is to be packaged by the Producer.

Due to the cost of transmitting data via the internet, it is desirable to limit file size and updating frequency whenever possible. The exchange data file size, as created by the Producer and ~~before-after~~ compression, is recommended to be limited to 10 MB. Another quantity to be aware of is the total MB to be transferred per year. S-100 (Sec. 15-5.2) allows one data compression scheme: Zip. In addition, the file may be encrypted.

Updating of files typically means issuing a new forecast, or disseminating the latest observed water level for a specific geographic region. This may occur several times per day. Therefore, all files must contain a date-time of issuance of the product. Because of the potentially high frequency (that is, hourly or less) availability of new datasets, the ECDIS system must check for new data at a similar frequency. All datasets must therefore contain the issue date and time.

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{describe AIS-ASM file delivery here}

### 11.2 HDF5 and GML Files

The HDF5-and-GML-formatted datasets are packaged in the same manner: with metadata and an exchange catalogue, and then combined into an exchange dataset. The ~~GML files for areas of influence, and the~~ HDF5 files for datum differences may be transferred via media or internet, since they typically do not often change. HDF5 files for time series or gridded water level data may require internet, since they change several or more times a day.

**Met opmerkingen [GS39]:** Should probably remove 10.3.3 and 10.3.4. I think I suggested this as part of the GML specification (for the areas of influence).

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### 44.4.111.2.1 Exchange Datasets

Datasets, or data products, produced by the Producer consist of files containing both the exchange catalogue and one or more data products (of possibly different S-100 types), with each product covering a specific geographic region and specific period of time (Figure 11.1). The Exchange Catalogue lists the products and contains the discovery metadata.

The name of the exchange set will have the character string 'S104' somewhere in it (e.g., 'S104\_ExchangeSet'), and this will identify the data as containing water level.

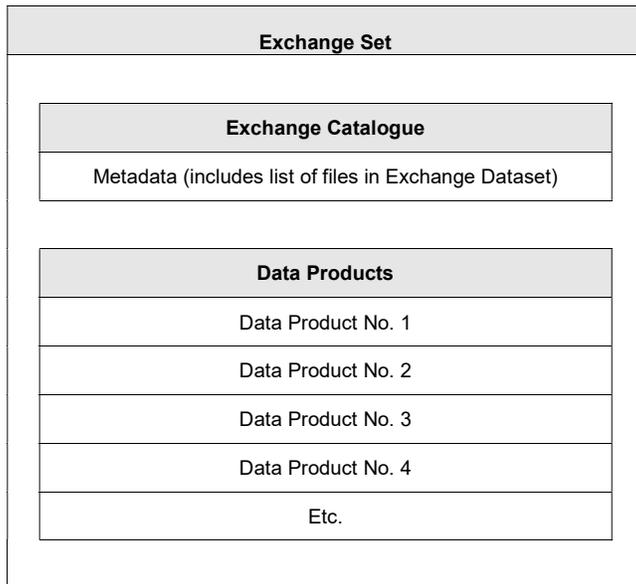


Figure 11.1 – Schematic diagram of the Exchange Set.

The dataset size is limited to 10 MB. The size of each file can vary widely, depending on the data. Using the sample HDF5 file (see Figure F.3), a file containing, along with metadata, a single speed array and a single direction array, each with 100,000 grid points would have a size of approximately 0.21 Mbytes. Exchange files may be compressed using zip methodology. Doing so can reduce file size by 80% or more.

Met opmerkingen [JZM40]: S100 Review: need to update text to suit water level data in HDF5 format.

### 44.4.211.2.2 Exchange Catalogue

The exchange catalogue normally in XML format acts as the table of contents for the exchange set. The catalogue file of the exchange set must be named [S104ed04-CATCATALOG.XML](#); no other file in the exchange set may have the same name. The contents of the exchange catalogue are described in Clause 12.

### 44.4.311.2.3 Dataset File Naming

The dataset file contains both metadata and one or more sets of [water level height and trend](#) arrays (see [CLAUSE 10 – DATA PRODUCT FORMAT](#)). The [file naming convention described here](#) [dataset name](#) must be used for all water level files from all sources. The file naming

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convention consists of 20 to 22 characters. The first two characters are used to identify begin with the producing country code (two characters, ref S-62); four-three character product specification, followed by Producer specific characters to uniquely define the dataset (must be 15 characters). The filename extension (e.g., .hdf5) denotes two-character producer code (CC). Thus water level files begin with the file format: five-six-character string 'S104CC'. Characters may be lower or upper case. This is summarized in Table 11.1.

**Table 11.11-1 – Characters used in the file naming convention.**

| N       | DESCRIPTION  | LENGTH   | EXAMPLE         |
|---------|--------------|----------|-----------------|
| 1       | Country Code | 2        | CA              |
| 2       | Unrestricted | 15       | Gulf20141106ABC |
| 3       | Extension    | 3 to 5   | .h5, .hdf5      |
| Total = |              | 20 to 22 |                 |

The unrestricted characters may be used to denote geographical region, valid time, source of the data, version numbers, and/or any other relevant information. Characters may be lower or upper case. For real-time and forecast data, it is recommended that the date/time of the first record be part of the dataset name, to help distinguish the most recent files.

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The dataset extension for HDF5 (e.g., .h5 or .hdf5) or GML (.gml) must be used to denote the file format.

### 11.1.411.2.4 Support Files

This Data Product requires no support files.

## 12 Metadata <S-100 Part 4>

### 12.1 Introduction

For information exchange, there are several categories of metadata required: metadata about the overall exchange [dataset and catalogue](#), [discovery metadata about each of the datasets contained in the catalogue](#), [and discovery metadata about the support files that make up the package](#). The discovery metadata classes have numerous attributes which enable important information about the datasets and accompanying support files to be examined without the need to process the data, e.g. decrypt, decompress, load, etc. Other catalogues can be included in the exchange set in support of the datasets such as feature, portrayal, coordinate reference systems, codelists, etc. The attribute "purpose" of the support file metadata provides a mechanism to update support files more easily.

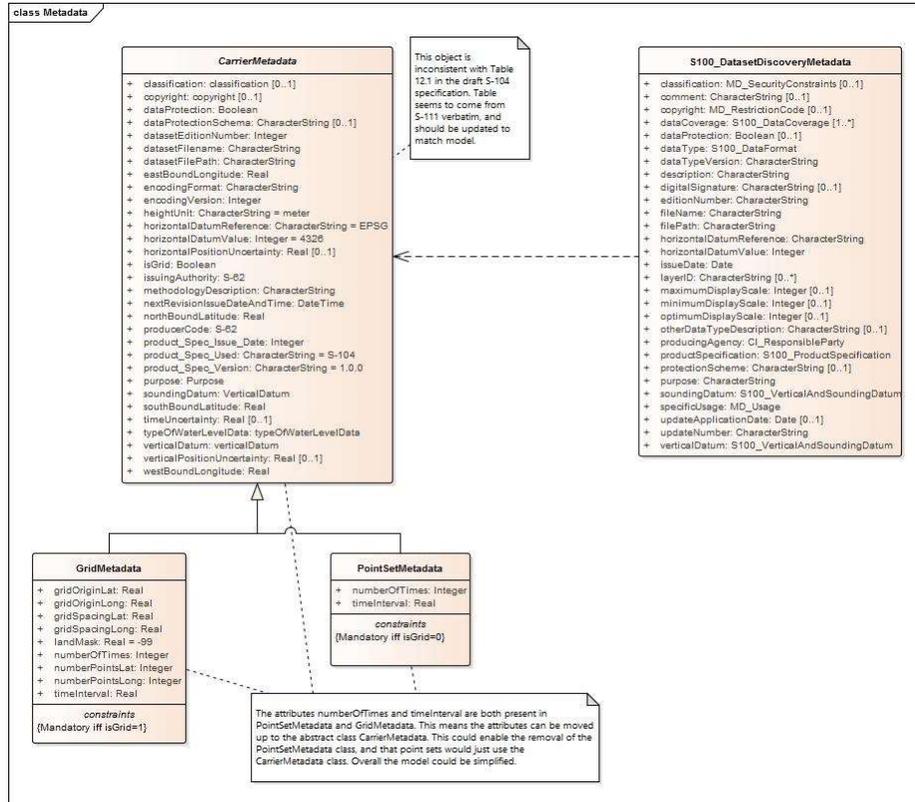
This clause defines the mandatory and optional metadata needed for S-104. ~~For information exchange, there are several categories of metadata required: metadata about the overall exchange catalogue, metadata about each of the datasets contained in the catalogue, and metadata about the support files, if any, that make up the package.~~ In some cases the metadata may be repeated in a national language.

### 12.2 Discovery Metadata

An outline [of](#) the overall concept of an S-104 exchange set for the interchange of geospatial data and its relevant metadata is explained in the following figures. Figure 12.1 depicts the realization of the ISO 19139 classes which form the foundation of the exchange set. The overall structure of the S-104 metadata for exchange sets is modelled in shown in ANNEX C.. More detailed information about the various classes and a textual description in the tables at Clause 12.3.

Figure 12.1 - Realization of the exchange set classes. Note that there are no support files.

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The discovery metadata classes have numerous attributes which enable important information about the datasets to be examined without the need to process the data, e.g. decrypt, decompress, load etc. Other catalogues can be included in the exchange set in support of the datasets such as feature, and portrayal, coordinate reference systems, codelists, etc-.

The language used for the metadata is English.

Time reference for all data will be UTC.

All water level values to be given in metres (up to three decimal places for real values).

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**12.2.1 S100\_ExchangeCatalogue**

Each exchange set has a single S100\_ExchangeCatalogue which contains meta information for the data in the exchange set.

**Met opmerkingen [GS41]:** Ensure all S-100 tables (and their correct attributes) are here. There seem to be several missing, e.g. S100\_ExchangeSet, S100\_Dataset, S100\_DigitalSignature, S100\_DigitalSignatureValue, S100\_ProtectionScheme, S100\_DatasetDiscoveryMetadata, PT\_Locale.

| Name                         | Description   | Mult | Value | Type                         | Remarks  |
|------------------------------|---|------|-------|------------------------------|--|
| S100_ExchangeCatalogue       | An exchange catalogue contains the discovery metadata about the exchange datasets and support files | -    | -     | -                            | -  |
| Identifier                   | Uniquely identifies this exchange catalogue   | 1    |       | S100_CatalogueIdentifier     |  |
| Contact                      | Details about the issuer of this exchange catalogue   | 1    |       | S100_CataloguePointOfContact |  |
| productSpecification         | Details about the product specifications used for the datasets contained in the exchange catalogue  | 0..1 |       | S100_ProductSpecification    | Conditional on all the datasets using the same product specification |
| exchangeCatalogueName        | Catalogue filename  | 1    |       | CharacterString              | In S-104 it would be CATLOG.104                                      |
| exchangeCatalogueDescription | Description of what the exchange catalogue contains   | 1    |       | CharacterString              |  |
| exchangeCatalogueComment     | Any additional Information  | 0..1 |       | CharacterString              |  |
| compressionFlag              | Is the data compressed  | 0..1 |       | Boolean                      | Yes or No  |

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| Name            | Description   | Mult | Value | Type            | Remarks        |
|-----------------|---|------|-------|-----------------|----------------|
| algorithmMethod | Type of compression algorithm                                   | 0..1 |       | CharacterString | Eg. RAR or ZIP |
| sourceMedia     | Distribution media  | 0..1 |       | CharacterString |                |
| replacedData    | If a data file is cancelled is it replaced by another data file | 0..1 |       | Boolean         |                |
| dataReplacement | Cell name   | 0..1 |       | CharacterString |                |

**12.2.2 S100\_CatalogueIdentifier** \*Does this need to remain? Use of file naming convention to assist with identifying latest replacement file.

| Role Name | Name                     | Description   | Mult | Type            | Remarks |
|-----------|--------------------------|---|------|-----------------|---------|
| Class     | S100_CatalogueIdentifier | An exchange catalogue contains the discovery metadata about the exchange datasets and support files | -    | -               | -       |
| Attribute | identifier               | Uniquely identifies this exchange catalogue   | 1    | CharacterString |         |
| Attribute | editionNumber            | The edition number of this exchange catalogue   | 1    | CharacterString |         |
| Attribute | date                     | Creation date of the exchange catalogue   | 1    | Date            |         |

**12.2.3 S100\_CataloguePointofContact**

| Role Name | Name                         | Description  | Mult | Type | Remarks |
|-----------|------------------------------|--|------|------|---------|
| Class     | S100_CataloguePointOfContact | Contact details of the issuer of this exchange catalogue | -    | -    | -       |

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|           |              |   |      |                 |  |
|-----------|--------------|---|------|-----------------|--|
| Attribute | organization | The organization distributing this exchange catalogue | 1    | CharacterString | This could be an individual producer, value added reseller, etc. |
| Attribute | phone        | The phone number of the organization                  | 0..1 | CI_Telephone    |  |
| Attribute | address      | The address of the organization                       | 0..1 | CI_Address      |  |

**12.2.4 S100\_DatasetDiscoveryMetadata**

Data in the Discovery Metadata are used to identify the relevance of the dataset to the particular application.

| Name                          | Description  | M    | Value | Type            | Remarks   |
|-------------------------------|--|------|-------|-----------------|---|
| S100_DatasetDiscoveryMetadata | Metadata about the individual datasets in the exchange catalogue     | -    | -     | -               | -   |
| fileName                      | Dataset file name  | 1    |       | CharacterString |   |
| filePath                      | Full path from the exchange set root directory                       | 1    |       | CharacterString | Path relative to the root directory of the exchange set. The location of the file after the exchange set is unpacked into directory <EXCH_ROOT> will be <EXCH_ROOT>/<filePath>/<filename>                             |
| description                   | Short description giving the area or location covered by the dataset | 1    |       | CharacterString | E.g. a harbour or port name, between two named locations etc.   |
| dataProtection                | Indicates if the data is encrypted                                   | 0..1 |       | Boolean         | 0 indicates an unencrypted dataset<br>1 indicates an encrypted dataset  |
| protectionScheme              | specification or method used for data protection                     | 0..1 |       | CharacterString | Eg S-63   |
| digitalSignature              | Indicates if the data has a digital signature                        | 0..1 |       | Boolean         | 0: unsigned<br>1: datafile is digitally signed<br>[to be reconciled when S-100 finalizes digital signature elements]  |
| digitalSignatureValue         | Digital signature  | 0..1 |       | CharacterString | This contains a base64 encoding of the hexadecimal numbers comprising the digital signature itself. The content of these fields are defined, along with the algorithms for their calculation, in S-63 ed2.0 Part (C). |

**Met opmerkingen [JZM42]:** S100 Review: Review remarks against text in section 11.1 for consistency.

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| Name                     | Description  | M    | Value | Type                                     | Remarks   |
|--------------------------|--|------|-------|--|---|
|                          |  |      |       |  | [to be reconciled when S-100 finalizes digital signature elements]  |
| classification           | Indicates the security classification of the dataset                     | 0..1 |       | Enumeration                              | One of the following from ISO 19115 MD_SecurityConstraints> MD_ClassificationCode (codelist)<br>1. unclassified<br>2. restricted<br>3. confidential<br>4. secret<br>5. top secret       |
| purpose                  | The purpose for which the dataset has been issued                        | 1    |       | MD_Identifier>purpose<br>CharacterString | E.g. new, re-issue, new edition, update etc.  |
| specificUsage            | The use for which the dataset is intended                                | 1    |       | CharacterString                          | E.g. in the case of ENC's this would be a navigation purpose classification.  |
| editionNumber            | The edition number of the dataset  | 1    |       | CharacterString                          | When a data set is initially created, the edition number 1 is assigned to it. The edition number is increased by 1 at each new edition. Edition number remains the same for a re-issue. |
| issueDate                | date on which the data was made available by the data producer           | 1    |       | Date                                     |   |
| productSpecification     | The product specification used to create this dataset                    | 1    |       | S100_ProductSpecification                |   |
| producingAgency          | Agency responsible for producing the data                                | 1    |       | CI_ResponsibleParty                      |   |
| horizontalDatumReference | Reference to the register from which the horizontal datum value is taken | 1    |       | characterString                          | EPSG  |
| horizontalDatumValue     | Horizontal Datum of the entire dataset                                   | 1    |       | Integer                                  | 4326  |
| verticalDatum            | Vertical Datum of the entire dataset                                     | 1    |       | S100_VerticalAndSoundingDatum            |   |
| dataType                 | The encoding format of the dataset                                       | 1    |       | S100_DataFormat                          |   |
| otherDataTypeDescription | Encoding format other than those listed.                                 | 0..1 |       | CharacterString                          |   |
| dataTypeVersion          | The version number of the dataType.                                      | 1    |       | CharacterString                          |   |

**Met opmerkingen [JZM42]:** S100 Review: Review remarks against text in section 11.1 for consistency.

**Met opmerkingen [JZM43]:** S100 Review: suggest adding clarification about water level datum elsewhere and reference that here or add comment that this attribute is the datum the water level data is referenced to.

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| Name         | Description                 | Mult | Value | Type              | Remarks |
|--------------|-----------------------------|------|-------|-------------------|---------|
| dataCoverage | Area covered by the dataset | 1    |       | S100_DataCoverage |         |
| comment      | Any additional information  | 0..1 |       | CharacterString   |         |

**Met opmerkingen [JZM42]:** S100 Review: Review remarks against text in section 11.1 for consistency.

**12.2.5 S100\_DataCoverage**

| Name                | Description  | Mult | Value | Type                     | Remarks |
|---------------------|--|------|-------|--------------------------|---------|
| S100_DataCoverage   |  | -    |       | -                        | -       |
| ID                  | Uniquely identifies the coverage                     | 1    |       | Integer                  | -       |
| boundingBox         | The extent of the dataset limits                     | 1    |       | EX_GeographicBoundingBox | -       |
| boundingPolygon     | A polygon which defines the actual data limit        | 1..* |       | EX_BoundingPolygon       | -       |
| optimumDisplayScale | The scale with which the data is optimally displayed | 0..1 |       | Integer                  |         |
| maximumDisplayScale | The maximum scale with which the data is displayed   | 0..1 |       | Integer                  |         |
| minimumDisplayScale | The minimum scale with which the data is displayed   | 0..1 |       | Integer                  |         |

**12.2.6 EX\_GeographicBoundingBox**

From ISO 19115:2003 Corr. 1 (2006).

| Name                     | Description  | Mult | Type | Remarks              |
|--------------------------|--|------|------|----------------------|
| EX_GeographicBoundingBox | geographic position of the dataset   | -    | -    | Defined in ISO 19115 |
| westBoundLongitude       | western-most coordinate of the limit of the dataset extent, expressed in longitude in decimal degrees (positive east)  | 1    | Real | Arc degrees          |
| eastBoundLongitude       | eastern-most coordinate of the limit of the dataset extent, expressed in longitude in decimal degrees (positive east)  | 1    | Real | Arc degrees          |
| southBoundLatitude       | southern-most coordinate of the limit of the dataset extent, expressed in latitude in decimal degrees (positive north) | 1    | Real | Arc degrees          |

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| Name               | Description  | Mult | Type | Remarks     |
|--------------------|--|------|------|-------------|
| northBoundLatitude | northern-most, coordinate of the limit of the dataset extent expressed in latitude in decimal degrees (positive north) | 1    | Real | Arc degrees |

**12.2.7 EX\_BoundingPolygon**

From ISO 19115:2003 Corr. 1 (2006).

| Name               | Description   | Mult | Type      | Remarks   |
|--------------------|---|------|-----------|---|
| EX_BoundingPolygon | boundary enclosing the dataset, expressed as the closed set of (x,y) coordinates of the polygon (last point replicates first point) | -    | -         | Defined in ISO 19115  |
| polygon            | sets of points defining the bounding polygon  | 1    | GM_Object | Must be a GM_Polygon (See S-100 Part 7, ISO 19107, ISO 19136) |

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**12.2.8 S100\_VerticalAndSoundingDatum**

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| Role Name | Name                              | Description                            | Mult | Type | Remarks |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|--|------|------|---------|
| Class     | S100_VerticalAndSoundingDatum     | Allowable vertical and sounding datums | -    | -    | -       |
| Value     | meanLowWaterSprings               |  | -    | -    | 1       |
| Value     | meanSeaLevel                      |  | -    | -    | 2       |
| Value     | meanLowerLowWaterSprings          |  | -    | -    | 3       |
| Value     | lowestLowWater                    |  | -    | -    | 4       |
| Value     | meanLowWater                      |  | -    | -    | 5       |
| Value     | lowestLowWaterSprings             |  | -    | -    | 6       |
| Value     | approximateMeanLowWaterSprings    |  | -    | -    | 7       |
| Value     | indianSpringLowWater              |  | -    | -    | 8       |
| Value     | lowWaterSprings                   |  | -    | -    | 9       |
| Value     | approximateLowestAstronomicalTide |  | -    | -    | 10      |
| Value     | nearlyLowestLowWater              |  | -    | -    | 11      |
| Value     | meanLowerLowWater                 |  | -    | -    | 12      |
| Value     | lowWater                          |  | -    | -    | 13      |
| Value     | approximateMeanLowWater           |  | -    | -    | 14      |
| Value     | approximateMeanLowerLowWater      |  | -    | -    | 15      |
| Value     | meanHighWater                     |  | -    | -    | 16      |
| Value     | meanHighWaterSprings              |  | -    | -    | 17      |
| Value     | highWater                         |  | -    | -    | 18      |
| Value     | approximateMeanSeaLevel           |  | -    | -    | 19      |
| Value     | highWaterSprings                  |  | -    | -    | 20      |
| Value     | meanHigherHighWater               |  | -    | -    | 21      |
| Value     | equinoctialSpringLowWater         |  | -    | -    | 22      |
| Value     | lowestAstronomicalTide            |  | -    | -    | 23      |
| Value     | localDatum                        |  | -    | -    | 24      |
| Value     | internationalGreatLakesDatum1985  |  | -    | -    | 25      |
| Value     | meanWaterLevel                    |  | -    | -    | 26      |
| Value     | lowerLowWaterLargeTide            |  | -    | -    | 27      |
| Value     | higherHighWaterLargeTide          |  | -    | -    | 28      |
| Value     | nearlyHighestHighWater            |  | -    | -    | 29      |
| Value     | highestAstronomicalTide           |  | -    | -    | 30(HAT) |
| Value     | Ellipsoidal Height                | Not in S100!                           |      |      | 31      |

**Met opmerkingen [JZM44]:** S100 Review: Ask for an extension to the S-100 list

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|              |              |                    |  |           |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------|--|-----------|
| <u>Value</u> | <u>Geoid</u> | <u>Not in S100</u> |  | <u>32</u> |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------|--|-----------|

**12.2.9 S100\_DataFormat**

**Met opmerkingen [JZM45]:** S100 Review: ask for extension to list for new data formats

| Role Name | Name            | Description     | Mult | Type      | Remarks                          |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Class     | S100_DataFormat | Encoding format | -    | -         |                                  |
| Value     | HDF5            | Format          | 1    | Character |                                  |
| Value     | BAG             | Format          |      |           | S102 Bathymetric Attributed Grid |

**12.2.10 S100\_ProductSpecification**

| Name                      | Description  | Mult | Type            | Remarks                                     |
|---------------------------|--|------|-----------------|---|
| S100_ProductSpecification | The Product Specification contains the information needed to build the specified product | -    | -               | -   |
| name                      | The name of the product specification used to create the datasets                        | 1    | CharacterString | S-104 Surface Current Product Specification |
| version                   | The version number of the product specification  | 1    | CharacterString | 1.0.0                                       |
| date                      | The version date of the product specification  | 1    | Date            |   |

**12.2.11 S100\_CatalogueMetadata**

**Met opmerkingen [JZM46]:** S100 Review: add explanation for class. This class is used to provide metadata about feature and portrayal catalogues.

| Name                   | Description  | Mult | Value | Type                | Remarks   |
|------------------------|--|------|-------|---------------------|---|
| S100_CatalogueMetadata |  | -    |       | -                   | -   |
| filename               | The name for the catalogue                         | 1..* |       | CharacterString     |   |
| fileLocation           | Full location from the exchange set root directory | 1..* |       | CharacterString     | Path relative to the root directory of the exchange set. The location of the file after the exchange set is unpacked into directory <EXCH_ROOT> will be <EXCH_ROOT>/<filePath>/<filename> |
| scope                  | Subject domain of the catalogue                    | 1..* |       | S100_CatalogueScope |   |

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|                           |  |      |  |                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|------|--|---------------------------|--|
| versionNumber             | The version number of the product specification    | 1..* |  | CharacterString           |  |
| issueDate                 | The version date of the product specification      | 1..* |  | Date                      |  |
| productSpecification      | The product specification used to create this file | 1..* |  | S100_ProductSpecification |  |
| digitalSignatureReference | Digital Signature of the file                      | 1    |  | CharacterString           | Reference to the appropriate digital signature algorithm |
| digitalSignatureValue     | Value derived from the digital signature           | 1    |  | CharacterString           |  |

**12.2.12 S100\_CatalogueScope**

| Role Name | Name                | Description | Mult | Type | Remarks |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------|------|---------|
| Class     | S100_CatalogueScope |             | -    | -    | -       |
| Value     | featureCatalogue    |             |      |      |         |
| Value     | portrayalCatalogue  |             |      |      |         |

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### 12.3 Carrier Metadata

The metadata for the S-104 product is divided in three sections, corresponding to the General Metadata (Table 12.1), the Feature Metadata (Table 12.2), and the Instance Metadata (Table 12.3). Since these values do not reside in the Metadata blocks, but are in the HDF5 files, they are referred to as Carrier Metadata. The Carrier Metadata consists of the data and parameters needed to read and interpret the information in the Water Level product even if the other S-104 Metadata files are unavailable.

Note that in Tables 12.1, 12.2, and 12.3, some of the metadata variables have restrictions on their core values (i.e., whether they are optional or mandatory, the specific values allowed, etc.) that are not imposed in S-100. These are grouped under the heading 'Additional restrictions on core metadata for S-104.' It is suggested for any enumeration in S-104, to use native integer type H5T\_NATIVE\_UINT8 for the base type of the numeric code when creating the enumeration.

Table 12.1 – S-104 Carrier General Metadata, related to the entire HDF5 file (see S-100 Table 10c-6) with Latitude and longitude values precise to  $10^{-7}$  deg.

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| No  | Name   | Camel Case                         | Mult. | Data Type   | Remarks and/or Units  |
|---|--|------------------------------------|-------|-------------|---|
| 1   | <a href="#">Product specification number and version</a> | productSpecification               | 1     | String      | This must be encoded as 'INT.IHO.S-104.X.Y', with X representing the edition number and Y the revision number   |
| 2   | <a href="#">Date of data product issue</a>               | issueDate                          | 1     | String      | Date must be consistent with issueDate in discovery metadata.   |
| 3   | <a href="#">Horizontal Coord. Ref. Sys.</a>              | horizontalCRS                      | 1     | Integer     | EPSG code. E.g., 4326 (for WGS84)<br>See <a href="https://spatialreference.org/ref/epsg/?page=1">https://spatialreference.org/ref/epsg/?page=1</a>  |
| 4   | <a href="#">Bounding box</a>                             | <a href="#">westBoundLongitude</a> | 1     | Float       | Area encompassing all feature instances<br>Units are Degrees.   |
| 5   |  | <a href="#">eastBoundLongitude</a> | 1     | Float       |   |
| 6   |  | <a href="#">southBoundLatitude</a> | 1     | Float       |   |
| 7   |  | <a href="#">northBoundLatitude</a> | 1     | Float       |   |
| 8   | <a href="#">Geographic locator</a>                       | geographicIdentifier               | 0..1  | String      | Description   |
| 9   | <a href="#">Metadata file name</a>                       | metadata                           | 1     | String      | Name of XML metadata file for the HDF5 file. Form: MD <hdf file name>.XML   |
| <i>Additional metadata for S-104</i>                              |  |                                    |       |             |   |
| 10  | <a href="#">Water level trend threshold</a>              | waterLevelTrendThreshold           | 1     | Float       | Critical value used to determine steady water level trend. Units are meters/hour (m/hr). E.g., 0.2. See Annex A (DCEG).   |
| <i>Additional restrictions on core general metadata for S-104</i> |  |                                    |       |             |   |
| 11  | <a href="#">Time of data product issue</a>               | issueTime                          | 1     | String      | Mandatory for S-104, S-100 Time format. All times are in UTC. E.g., 123000Z   |
| 12  | <a href="#">Vertical coordinate system</a>               | verticalCS                         | 1     | Integer     | Mandatory for S-104.<br>EPSG Code; Allowed Values<br>• 6498 (Depth– Metres–Orientation Down)<br>• 6499 (Height– Metres– Orientation Up)   |
| 13  | <a href="#">Vertical coordinate base</a>                 | verticalCoordinateBase             | 1     | Enumeration | Mandatory for S-104.<br>1: Sea Surface<br>2: Vertical Datum<br>3: Sea Bottom  |
| 14  | <a href="#">Vertical datum reference</a>                 | verticalDatumReference             | 1     | Enumeration | Mandatory for S-104.<br>Only if verticalCoordinateBase = 2.<br>1: S-100 vertical datum<br>2: EPSG   |
| 15  | <a href="#">Vertical datum</a>                           | verticalDatum                      | 1     | Integer     | Mandatory for S-104.<br>Only if verticalCoordinateBase = 2.<br>If verticalDatumReference = 1 this is a value from S100 VerticalAndSoundingDatum.<br>If verticalDatumReference = 2 this is an EPSG code for vertical datum |

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| No   | Name   | Camel Case                                    | Mult | Data Type   | Remarks and/or Units   |
|--|--|---|------|-------------|--|
| 1  | <a href="#">Data organization index</a><br>(Used to read the data. See Table 10.1) | <a href="#">dataCodingFormat</a>              | 1    | Enumeration | <a href="#">1: Time series at fixed stations</a><br><a href="#">2: Regularly-gridded arrays</a><br><a href="#">3: Ungeorectified gridded arrays</a><br><a href="#">4: Moving platform</a><br><a href="#">5: Irregular grid</a><br><a href="#">6: Variable cell size</a><br><a href="#">7: TIN</a><br><a href="#">8: Time series at fixed stations (stationwise)</a><br>This Product Specification only covers the use of only 1-3 and 7-8. |
| 2  | <a href="#">Dimension</a>  | <a href="#">dimension</a>                     | 1    | Integer     | The (spatial) dimension of the feature instances. For water levels, use 2.   |
| 3  | <a href="#">Common Point Rule</a>  | <a href="#">commonPointRule</a>               | 1    | Enumeration | The procedure used for evaluating the coverage at a position that falls on the boundary or in an area of overlap between geometric objects.<br><a href="#">1: average</a><br><a href="#">2: low</a><br><a href="#">3: high</a><br><a href="#">4: all (recommended)</a>   |
| 4  | <a href="#">Horizontal position uncertainty</a>                                    | <a href="#">horizontalPositionUncertainty</a> | 1    | Float       | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (m)   |
| 5  | <a href="#">Vertical position uncertainty</a>                                      | <a href="#">verticalUncertainty</a>           | 1    | Float       | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (m)   |
| 6  | <a href="#">Time uncertainty</a>   | <a href="#">timeUncertainty</a>               | 0..1 | Float       | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (s)   |
| 7  | <a href="#">Number of feature instances</a>  | <a href="#">numInstances</a>                  | 1    | Integer     |  |
| <i>Additional metadata for S-104</i>   |  |   |      |             |  |
| 8  | <a href="#">Methodology</a>  | <a href="#">methodWaterLevelProduct</a>       | 0..1 | String      | Brief description of tide gauge type, forecast method or model, etc.   |
| 9  | <a href="#">Min. water level height in dataset</a>                                 | <a href="#">minDatasetHeight</a>              | 1    | Float       | Height in verticalCS in Table 12.1   |
| 10   | <a href="#">Max. water level height in dataset</a>                                 | <a href="#">maxDatasetHeight</a>              | 1    | Float       | Height in verticalCS in Table 12.1   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 2</b>  |  |   |      |             |  |
| 11   | <a href="#">Sequencing Rule</a>  | <a href="#">sequencingRule.type</a>           | 1    | Enumeration | Method to be used to assign values from the sequence of values to the grid coordinates. Components: type: Enumeration CV SequenceType<br>For example 1 (for 'linear')  |
| 12   |  | <a href="#">sequencingRule.scanDirection</a>  | 1    | String      | scanDirection: String <axisNames entry> (comma-separated).<br>For example "latitude,longitude"   |
| 13   | <a href="#">Interpolation Type</a>   | <a href="#">interpolationType</a>             | 1    | Enumeration | Interpolation method recommended for evaluation of the S100_GridCoverage<br>Values: S100 CV InterpolationMethod (ISO 19123).   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 3</b>  |  |   |      |             |  |
| <i>Additional restrictions on core feature metadata for S-104 for dataCodingFormat = 3</i> |  |   |      |             |  |
| 11   | <a href="#">Interpolation Type</a>   | <a href="#">interpolationType</a>             | 1    | Enumeration | Interpolation method recommended for evaluation of the S100_GridCoverage<br>Values: S100 CV InterpolationMethod (ISO 19123).<br>For S-104 dataCodingFormat = 3, use 10 (for 'discrete').   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 7</b>  |  |   |      |             |  |
| 11   | <a href="#">Interpolation Type</a>   | <a href="#">interpolationType</a>             | 1    | Enumeration | Interpolation method recommended for evaluation of the S100_GridCoverage<br>Values: S100 CV InterpolationMethod (ISO 19123).   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 8</b>  |  |   |      |             |  |
| <i>Additional metadata for S-104 for dataCodingFormat = 8</i>                              |  |   |      |             |  |
| 11   | <a href="#">Order of series in pick report</a>                                     | <a href="#">pickPriorityType</a>              | 1    | String      | Default priority of series for pick report. Use "0" for differences (typeOfWaterLevelData = 6, 7, 8, 9, 10).<br>E.g., "2,1,4,5,3,0,0,0,0" (without quotes). See Table  |

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|  |  |  |  | <a href="#">12.3. Total numbers (here 10) must be equal to numInstances.</a> |
|--|--|--|--|--|

[Table 12.2 – Feature metadata, pertaining to the Water Level feature \(see S-100 Table 10c-10\)](#)

[Table 12.3 – Instance metadata, pertaining to the feature instance \(see S-100 Table 10c-12\). All times are in UTC format.](#)

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| No                                   | Name   | Camel Case                              | Mult. | Data Type    | Remarks and/or Units  |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|-------|--------------|---|
| 1                                    | <a href="#">Bounding box</a>                 | <a href="#">westBoundLongitude</a>      | 0..1  | Float        | Area of grid, set of stations, etc.   |
| 2                                    |  | <a href="#">eastBoundLongitude</a>      | 0..1  | Float        | Units are decimal degrees.  |
| 3                                    |  | <a href="#">southBoundLatitude</a>      | 0..1  | Float        |   |
| 4                                    |  | <a href="#">northBoundLatitude</a>      | 0..1  | Float        |   |
| 5                                    | <a href="#">Number of time records</a>       | <a href="#">numberOfTimes</a>           | 0..1  | Integer      | The total number of time records. For <a href="#">dataCodingFormat = 8</a> , this variable migrates to the values group attributes (Table 12.4).  |
| 6                                    | <a href="#">Time interval</a>                | <a href="#">timeRecordInterval</a>      | 0..1  | Integer      | The interval between time records. Units: Seconds. For <a href="#">dataCodingFormat = 8</a> , this variable migrates to the values group attributes (Table 12.4).   |
| 7                                    | <a href="#">Valid time of earliest value</a> | <a href="#">dateTimeOfFirstRecord</a>   | 0..1  | String       | DateTime format. First record in the Instance. All times are in UTC.  |
| 8                                    | <a href="#">Valid time of latest value</a>   | <a href="#">dateTimeOfLastRecord</a>    | 0..1  | String       | DateTime format.  |
| 9                                    | <a href="#">Number of values groups</a>      | <a href="#">numGRP</a>                  | 1     | Integer      | Number of Values Groups. For <a href="#">dataCodingFormat = 1, 2, 3, and 7</a> , equals the number of time points. For <a href="#">dataCodingFormat = 8</a> , equals the number of stations.  |
| 10                                   | <a href="#">Instance chunking value</a>      | <a href="#">instanceChunking</a>        | 0..1  | String       | For example "1.256" (without quotes). If present, overrides attribute value in Group <a href="#">F</a> .  |
| <i>Additional metadata for S-104</i> |  |   |       |              |   |
| 11                                   | <a href="#">Type of water level data</a>     | <a href="#">typeOfWaterLevelData</a>    | 1     | Enumeration  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1: Observation</li> <li>2: Astronomical prediction</li> <li>3: Analysis or hybrid method</li> <li>4: Hydrodynamic model hindcast</li> <li>5: Hydrodynamic model forecast</li> <li>6: Observed minus predicted</li> <li>7: Observed minus analysis</li> <li>8: Observed minus hindcast</li> <li>9: Observed minus forecast</li> <li>10: Forecast minus predicted</li> </ul> Note: if a difference is provided (6-10), suggested to also provide the other two series. |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 1</b>          |  |   |       |              |   |
| 12                                   | <a href="#">Number of fixed stations</a>     | <a href="#">numberOfStations</a>        | 1     | Integer      | Number of individual fixed stations in this instance.   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 2</b>          |  |   |       |              |   |
| 12                                   | <a href="#">Longitude of grid origin</a>     | <a href="#">gridOriginLongitude</a>     | 1     | Float-Double | Degrees   |
| 13                                   | <a href="#">Latitude of grid origin</a>      | <a href="#">gridOriginLatitude</a>      | 1     | Float-Double | Degrees   |
| 14                                   | <a href="#">Grid spacing, long.</a>          | <a href="#">gridSpacingLongitudinal</a> | 1     | Float-Double | Degrees   |
| 15                                   | <a href="#">Grid spacing, lat.</a>           | <a href="#">gridSpacingLatitudinal</a>  | 1     | Float-Double | Degrees   |
| 16                                   | <a href="#">Number of points, long.</a>      | <a href="#">numPointsLongitudinal</a>   | 1     | Integer      | numCOLS   |
| 17                                   | <a href="#">Number of points, lat.</a>       | <a href="#">numPointsLatitudinal</a>    | 1     | Integer      | numROWS   |
| 18                                   | <a href="#">Start sequence</a>               | <a href="#">startSequence</a>           | 1     | String       | E.g., "0,0" (without quotes) for scans starting at lower left corner i=0, j=0. For upper left, "0,n", where n is the value of numROWS-1. First character represents first axis in <a href="#">sequencingRule.scanDirection</a> . (Table 12.2), which here is longitude.   |

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---|---------|--|
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 3</b> |                          |                   |   |         |  |
| 12                          | Number of nodes          | numberOfNodes     | 1 | Integer | The total number of grid points  |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 7</b> |                          |                   |   |         |  |
| 12                          | Number of nodes          | numberOfNodes     | 1 | Integer | The total number of grid points  |
| 13                          | Number of triangles      | numberOfTriangles | 1 | Integer | The total number of triangles in the TIN                                 |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 8</b> |                          |                   |   |         |  |
| 12                          | Number of fixed stations | numberOfStations  | 1 | Integer | Number of individual fixed stations in this instance. Must equal numGRP. |

### 12.4 Values Group Attributes

An expanded new metadata block is required for the Values Groups (Table 12.4). The variables [stationName](#) and [stationIdentification](#) have been added for both identification and possibly for inclusion in the text of the graph. Note that additional variables such as Marine Resource Names (MRN) and station category (e.g. high or long-term, medium, or low) can be added here. The series start and end times, number of records, and time interval index are included since they may differ for each series.

NOTE: These attributes will be incorporated in S-100 Ed 5.0.0.

Table 12.4 – Values Group attributes (see S-100 Table 10c-18). All times are in UTC format.

| No  | Name                         | Camel Case            | Mult. | Data Type | Remarks and/or Units  |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----------|---|
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 1, 2, 3, or 7</b>   |                              |                       |       |           |   |
| 1   | Time stamp                   | timePoint             | 1     | String    | DateTime. All times are in UTC.   |
| <b>dataCodingFormat = 8</b>   |                              |                       |       |           |   |
| 1   | Index for time interval      | timeIntervalIndex     | 1     | (Integer) | 1 (TRUE) denotes uniform time interval; interval provided by <a href="#">timeRecordInterval</a> . 0 (FALSE) denotes non-uniform time interval. This is a boolean data type implemented as described in S-100 Table 10c-1. |
| 2   | Time interval                | timeRecordInterval    | 0..1  | Integer   | Only if <a href="#">timeIntervalIndex</a> = 1. The uniform interval between time records. Units: Seconds. Value here overrides corresponding value at Instance level.   |
| <i>Additional restrictions on core values group metadata for S-104 for dataCodingFormat = 8</i> |                              |                       |       |           |   |
| 3   | Name of the station          | stationName           | 1     | String    | Mandatory for S-104. E.g., a geographic description or 'Not Available'  |
| 4   | Station identification       | stationIdentification | 1     | String    | Mandatory for S-104. E.g., a letter-number combination for the station or 'Not Available'   |
| 5   | Number of time records       | numberOfTimes         | 1     | Integer   | Mandatory for S-104. Value here overrides corresponding value at Instance level   |
| 6   | Valid time of earliest value | startDateTime         | 1     | String    | Mandatory for S-104. DateTime format. All times are in UTC.   |
| 7   | Valid time of latest value   | endDateTime           | 1     | String    | Mandatory for S-104. DateTime format.   |

### 12.5 Language

The language used for the Discovery Metadata and the Carrier Metadata is English.

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| N  | Name   | Camel Case                      | Data Type   | Remarks and/or Units  |
|----|--|---------------------------------|-------------|---|
| 1  | Product Spec and version                         | productSpecification            | Character   | This must be encoded as 'S-104.X.X.X', with Xs representing the version number  |
| 2  | Date-Time of data product issue                  | dateTimeOfIssue                 | Character   | DateTime. Must be consistent with issueDate in discovery metadata.  |
| 3  | Name of geographic region                        | nameRegion                      | Character   |   |
| 4  | Name of geographic sub-region                    | nameSubregion                   | Character   |   |
| 5  | Horizontal datum                                 | horizontalDatumReference        | Character   | EPSG  |
| 6  | Horizontal datum number                          | horizontalDatumValue            | Integer     | 4326 (for WGS84)  |
| 7  | Indicates if the data is encrypted               | dataProtection                  | Enumeration | 0: unencrypted dataset<br>1: encrypted dataset  |
| 8  | Specification or method used for data protection | protectionScheme                | Character   | Eg. S-63  |
| 9  | Valid Time of Earliest Value                     | dateTimeOfFirstRecord           | Character   | DateTime  |
| 10 | Valid Time of Latest Value                       | dateTimeOfLastRecord            | Character   | DateTime  |
| 11 | Time interval                                    | timeRecordInterval              | Integer     | Seconds   |
| 12 | Number of time records                           | numberOfTimes                   | Integer     |   |
| 13 | Type of Waterlevel data                          | typeOfWaterlevelData            | Enumeration | 1. Historical observation<br>2. Real-time observation<br>3. Astronomical prediction<br>4. Analysis or hybrid method<br>5. hindcast<br>6. forecast |
| 14 | Data organization index, used to read the data   | dataCodingFormat                | Enumeration | 1: Time series at fixed stations<br>2: Regularly gridded arrays<br>3: Irregularly gridded arrays  |
| 15 | Number of fixed stations                         | numberOfStations                | Integer     | Used only if dataCodingFormat = 1   |
| 16 | Vertical datum reference                         | verticalDatum                   | Enumeration | Chart datum as per Clause 12.2.6  |
| 17 | Longitude of grid origin                         | gridOriginLongitude             | Real        | Arc Degrees (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 18 | Latitude of grid origin                          | gridOriginLatitude              | Real        | Arc Degrees (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 19 | Grid spacing, long.                              | gridSpacingLongitudinal         | Real        | Arc Degrees (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 20 | Grid spacing, lat.                               | gridSpacingLatitudinal          | Real        | Arc Degrees (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 21 | Number of points, long.                          | numPointsLongitudinal           | Integer     | iMax (if dataCodingFormat=2)  |
| 22 | Number of points, lat.                           | numPointsLatitudinal            | Integer     | iMax (if dataCodingFormat=2)  |
| 23 | First grid point num., long.                     | minGridPointLongitudinal        | Integer     | 0 (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 24 | First grid point num., lat.                      | minGridPointLatitudinal         | Integer     | 0 (if dataCodingFormat=2)   |
| 25 | Nodes in irregular grid                          | numberOfNodes                   | Integer     | Used if dataCodingFormat=3  |
| 26 | Land mask value                                  | gridLandMaskValue               | Real        | Negative value (e.g. -1.0 or -99.999). Also denotes a missing value.  |
| 27 | Horizontal position uncertainty                  | uncertaintyOfHorizontalPosition | Real        | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (m)  |
| 28 | Vertical position uncertainty                    | uncertaintyOfVerticalPosition   | Real        | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (m)  |

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|----|------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---|
| 29 | Time uncertainty | uncertaintyOfTime     | Real      | -1.0 (unknown) or positive value (s)                                    |
| 30 | Methodology      | methodCurrentsProduct | Character | Brief description of current meter type, forecast method or model, etc. |

**12.512.6 Data Type Specific Metadata**

Single point metadata

| Name/Role                | Source | Multiplicity | Value | Type                       | Remarks   |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------|-------|----------------------------|---|
| Time_interval (delivery) |        | 1            |       | Real                       |   |
| Unique Identifier        |        | 1            |       | Character/numerical        | Port Number as given in Tide Table                              |
| Unique Name              |        | 1            |       | Character string           | Port Name as given in Tide Table                                |
| <u>MNR unique code</u>   |        | <u>1</u>     |       | <u>Character/numerical</u> |   |
| <u>Port Quality type</u> |        | <u>1</u>     |       | <u>Boolean</u>             | <u>0 – Standard / Major</u><br><br><u>1 – Secondary / Minor</u> |
| Value for missing data   |        | 1            |       | Real                       |   |

**Met opmerkingen [JZM47]:** S100 Review: clarify text or move to correct section.

**Met opmerkingen [GS48R47]:** Agreed, not sure how it fits into S-104 product so clarifying text would help. These might now be in the above metadata, e.g. Tables 12.1-12.4.

**Met opmerkingen [ZJ49]:** Add port quality, for that countries that provided additional information to standard port.

Feature Type: WaterLevel

| Name/Role                         | Source | Multiplicity | Value | Type | Remarks   |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------------|-------|------|---|
| Position (x,y)                    | S100   | 1            |       |      | Latitude and Longitude of the entity                              |
| Water level Height including tide |        | 1            |       |      | metres<br><br>Maximum 2 decimal places<br><br>Observed/ predicted |
| Water level uncertainty           |        | 1            |       | Real | metres – maximum 2 decimetres                                     |

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|                   |     |   |  |           |   |
|-------------------|-----|---|--|-----------|---|
|                   |     |   |  |           | -99 if uncertainty is unknown   |
| Water level trend | ASM | 1 | * to be confirmed in enumeration list starts at 1 or 0<br><br>0<br><br>1<br><br>2<br><br>3 | Enumerate | 0 = steady<br><br>1 = decreasing<br><br>2 = increasing<br><br>3 = not available |

**ANNEX A – DATA CLASSIFICATION AND ENCODING GUIDE**

~~There are two features described herein: water level and vertical datum difference.~~

**A.1 Water Level Features**

~~Feature:~~ Water Level (*WaterLevel*)

| <u>IHO Definition:</u> FEATURE: <b>WATER LEVEL:</b> The vertical position of a water surface                                 |   |                    |                      |
|--|---|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>S-104 Geo Feature:</b> Water Level  |   |                    |                      |
| <u>Primitives:</u> <a href="#">S100_GridCoverage</a> , <a href="#">S100_PointCoveragePointset</a> , <a href="#">Coverage</a> |   |                    |                      |
| S-104 Attribute  | Allowable Encoding Value  | Type               | Multiplicity         |
| Water Level Height   | must be in decimal metres, maximum resolution of 0.01 metres    | RE                 | 1                    |
| Water Level Trend  | 1: Steady<br>2: Decreasing<br>3: Increasing<br>4: Not available | EN                 | 1                    |
| <a href="#">Water Level Time</a>   | <a href="#">YYYYMMDDTHHMMSSZ</a>                                | <a href="#">DT</a> | <a href="#">0..1</a> |

**A.2 Feature Attributes**

The number of attributes for *Water Level* is ~~two~~three: water level height, and water level trend, and water level time.

1. Water Level Height (*waterLevelHeight*)

|   |
|---|
| <p><b>Water Level Height:</b> The height of a water surface relative to a vertical datum</p> <p><u>Unit:</u> metre (m)<br/> <u>Minimum Resolution:</u> 0.01 m<br/> <u>Format:</u> xxx.xx<br/> <u>Example:</u> 10.54<br/> <u>Remarks:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land mask or missing value is denoted by a unique number as specified in the metadata.</li> <li>• The height is relative to some vertical datum, which is defined in the metadata.</li> <li>• 0.01 m equals 0.3937 in (1 cm)</li> </ul> |
|---|

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### 2. Water Level Trend (*waterLevelTrend*)

**Water Level Trend:** [The tendency of water level to change in a particular direction.](#)

- 1: [Decreasing \(\*decreasing\*\)](#)
- 2: [Increasing \(\*increasing\*\)](#)
- 3: [Steady \(\*steady\*\)](#)

**Unit:** none (enumeration)

**Minimum Resolution:** N/A (enumeration)

**Format:** x

**Example:** 3: [Steady](#)

**Remarks:**

- [To determine category, use metadata variable \*waterLevelTrendThreshold\* \(See Table 3\):](#)
  - [Decreasing:  \$\text{trend} \leq -\text{waterLevelTrendThreshold}\$](#)
  - [Increasing:  \$\text{trend} \geq +\text{waterLevelTrendThreshold}\$](#)
  - [Steady:  \$-\text{waterLevelTrendThreshold} < \text{trend} < +\text{waterLevelTrendThreshold}\$](#)
- [Where a value is not known, the fill value must be populated, which is 0: Unknown. The fill value may be used in non-tidal or similar regions.](#)
- [The fill value of 0: Unknown is recommended for all difference series \(\*typeOfWaterLevelData\* = 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10\).](#)
- [Native integer type H5T\\_NATIVE\\_UINT8 should be used for the base type of the numeric code \(1, 2, or 3 here\) when creating the enumeration.](#)

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### 3. Water Level Time (*waterLevelTime*)

**Water Level Time:** [The time of the water level height, expressed in Date-time format as specified by ISO 8601.](#)

**Unit:** [Years, months, days, hours, minutes, seconds](#)

**Resolution:** [1 second](#)

**Format:** [YYYYMMDDTHHMMSSZ](#), where Y is year, M is month, D is day, H is hour, M is minute, and S is second

**Example:** [19850412T101530Z](#) denotes 10 hours, 15 minutes, and 30 seconds on 12 April 1985.

**Remarks:**

- [Required only for fixed station \(stationwise\) time series data \(\*dataCodingFormat\* = 8\) with non-uniform time intervals.](#)
- [All times are in UTC \(Universal Time Coordinated\).](#)

## A.2 Vertical Datum Difference

Feature: Vertical Datum Difference (*VerticalDatumDifference*)

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|  |  |             |                     |
|--|--|-------------|---------------------|
| IHO Definition: FEATURE: <b>VERTICAL DATUM DIFFERENCE</b> : the separation distance between an ellipsoid and a chart datum |  |             |                     |
| <b>S-104 Geo Feature: Datum Difference</b>   |  |             |                     |
| Primitives: <b>S100 GridCoverage, S100 PointCoverage</b>   |  |             |                     |
| <b>S-104 Attribute</b>   | <b>Allowable Encoding Value</b>                              | <b>Type</b> | <b>Multiplicity</b> |
| Vertical Datum Difference Value  | must be in decimal metres, maximum resolution of 0.01 metres | RE          | 1                   |

The number of attributes for *Vertical Datum Difference* is one.

Vertical Datum Difference Value (*verticalDatumDifferenceValue*)

**Vertical Datum Difference Value:** The value of the separation distance between two vertical datums, such as an ellipsoid and a tidal datum.

Unit: metre (m)

Minimum Resolution: 0.01 m

Format: xxx.xx

Example: 8.37

Remarks:

- Land mask or missing value is denoted by a unique number as specified in the metadata.
- Datum information is contained in the metadata.
- 0.01 m equals 0.3937 in (1 cm)

**Met opmerkingen [GS50]:** Should this be verticalDatumDifferenceValue? If not, definition may need to read something like "The value of the separation distance between two datums, such as an ellipsoid and a tidal datum in the vertical."

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## ANNEX B—Data Product Format (Encoding)

### B.1 GML Example Code

The following is an example of a GML file for zones of influence:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<waterlevelzones:DataSet xmlns:waterlevelzones="http://www.iho.int/S104/gml/1.0"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.iho.int/S104/gml/1.0 S104.xsd"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml/3.2"
  xmlns:S100="http://www.iho.int/S100gml/1.0"
  xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink" gml:id="test1">
  <gml:boundedBy><gml:Envelope srsName="urn:ogc:def:crs:epsg::4326">
    <gml:lowerCorner>-20.0000 -180.0000</gml:lowerCorner>
    <gml:upperCorner>90.0000 180.0000</gml:upperCorner>
  </gml:Envelope></gml:boundedBy>
  <DatasetIdentificationInformation>
    <S100:encodingSpecification>S-100 Part 10b</S100:encodingSpecification>
    <S100:encodingSpecificationEdition>1.0</S100:encodingSpecificationEdition>
    <S100:productIdentifier>S-104</S100:productIdentifier>
    <S100:productEdition>0.6</S100:productEdition>
    <S100:applicationProfile>1</S100:applicationProfile>
    <S100:datasetFileIdentifier>test1.gml</S100:datasetFileIdentifier>
    <S100:datasetTitle>points and polygons</S100:datasetTitle>
    <S100:datasetReferenceDate>2018-10-25</S100:datasetReferenceDate>
    <S100:datasetLanguage>EN</S100:datasetLanguage>
    <S100:datasetTopicCategory>transportation</S100:datasetTopicCategory>
  </DatasetIdentificationInformation>
  <member>
    <waterlevelzones:Centroid gml:id="CENTROID-001">
      <geometry>
        <S100:pointProperty>
          <S100:Point gml:id="CENTROID000001">
            <gml:pos>36.7189990 -74.6455280</gml:pos>
          </S100:Point>
        </S100:pointProperty>
      </geometry>
    </waterlevelzones:Centroid>
  </member>
  <member>
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      <geometry>
        <S100:surfaceProperty>
          <S100:Polygon gml:id="AREAINFL000001">
            <gml:exterior>
              <gml:LinearRing>
                <gml:posList>36.5951740 -74.9939270 37.1464370 -74.9924610
37.2255560 -73.9721970 36.4206690 -73.9513520 36.5951740 -74.9939270</gml:posList>
              </gml:LinearRing>
            </gml:exterior>
          </S100:Polygon>
        </S100:surfaceProperty>
      </geometry>
    </waterlevelzones:AreaOfInfluence>
  </member>
</waterlevelzones:DataSet>
```

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## Annex C – Application Schema (UML Diagrams)

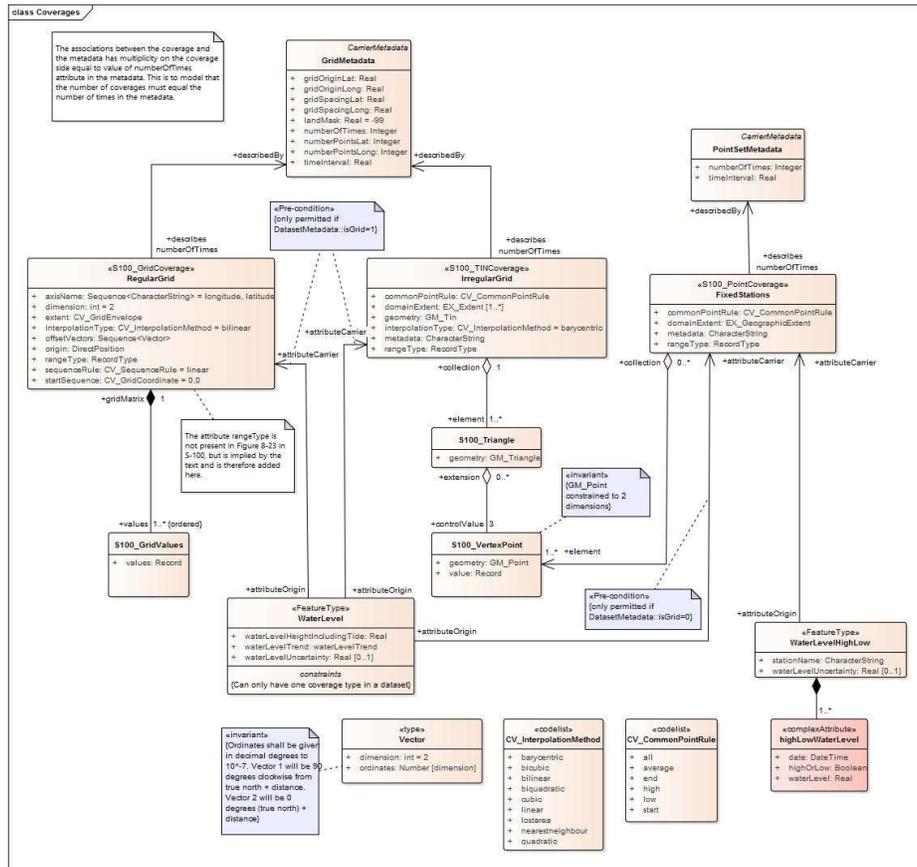


Figure 23 Coverages

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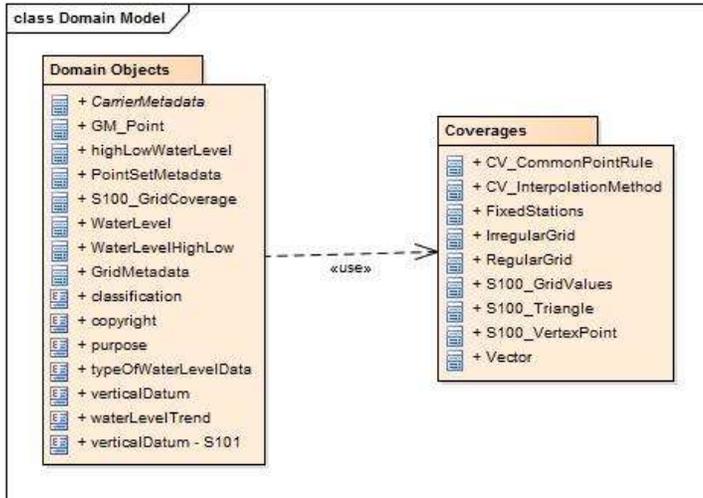


Figure 34 Domain Model

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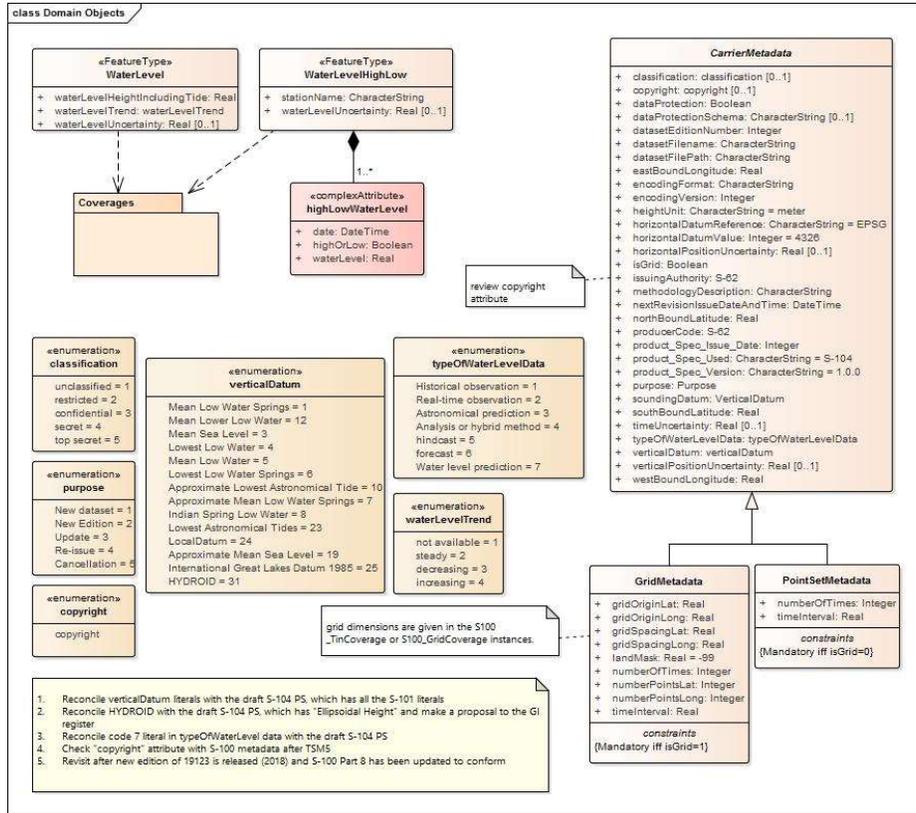


Figure 45 Domain Objects

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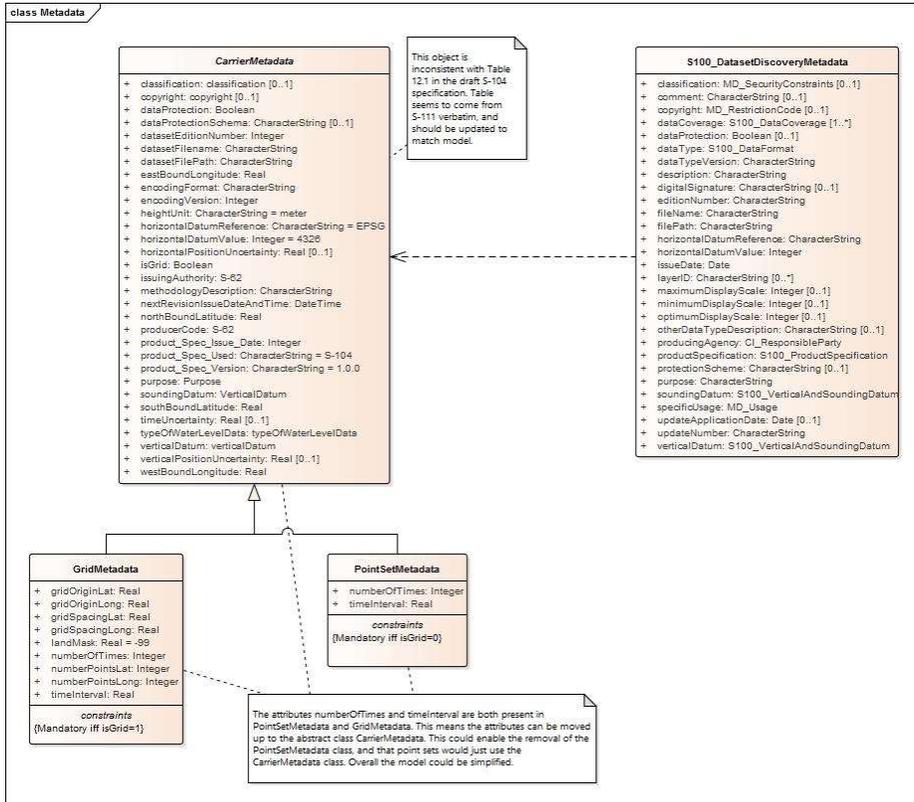


Figure 56 Metadata

## Annex D – Feature Catalogue

### D.1. Meta Feature Types

### D.2. Geo Feature Types

#### D.2.1. Water Level

**Definition:** [The vertical position of a water surface.](#)

**CamelCase:** [WaterLevel](#)

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**Alias:**

**Super type:**

**Feature use type:** geographic

**Primitive:** pointSet, coverage

**Remarks:** No remarks.

**Attribute Bindings:**

| <b>S-104 Attribute</b>             | <b>Allowable Encoding Value</b>  | <b>Type</b>        | <b>Multiplicity</b>  |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|
| <a href="#">Water Level Height</a> |  | <a href="#">RE</a> | <a href="#">1..1</a> |
| <a href="#">Water Level Trend</a>  | <a href="#">1 : Decreasing</a><br><a href="#">2 : Increasing</a><br><a href="#">3 : Steady</a> | <a href="#">EN</a> | <a href="#">1..1</a> |
| <a href="#">Water Level Time</a>   |  | <a href="#">DI</a> | <a href="#">0..1</a> |

### D.3. Carto Feature Types

### D.4. Information Types

### D.5. Simple Attributes

#### D.5.1. Water Level Height

Definition: The height of a water surface relative to a vertical datum.

CamelCase: waterLevelHeight

Alias:

Value type: real

Remarks: No remarks.

#### D.5.2. Water Level Time

Definition: The time of the water level height, expressed in Date-time format as specified by ISO 8601.

CamelCase: waterLevelTime

Alias:

Value type: dateTime

Remarks: Unit: Years, months, days, hours, minutes, seconds; Resolution: 1 second; Format: YYYYMMDDTHHMMSSZ, where Y is year, M is month, D is day, H is hour, M is minute, and S is second; Example: 19850412T101530Z denotes 10 hours, 15 minutes, and 30 seconds on 12 April 1985.

#### D.5.3. Water Level Trend

Definition: The tendency of water level to change in a particular direction.

CamelCase: waterLevelTrend

Alias:

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Value type: enumeration

Remarks: No remarks.

Listed Values:

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Label</u>      | <u>Definition</u>                     |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1           | <u>Decreasing</u> | <u>Becoming smaller in magnitude.</u> |
| 2           | <u>Increasing</u> | <u>Becoming larger in magnitude.</u>  |
| 3           | <u>Steady</u>     | <u>Constant.</u>                      |

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### D.6. Complex Attributes

### D.7. Roles

### D.8. Information Associations

### D.9. Feature Associations

### D.10. Feature Catalogue XML

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
- <S100FC:S100_FC_FeatureCatalogue xmlns:S100FC="http://www.iho.int/S100FC"
  xmlns:S100Base="http://www.iho.int/S100Base"
  xmlns:S100CI="http://www.iho.int/S100CI"
  xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink"
  xmlns:S100FD="http://www.iho.int/S100FD"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.iho.int/S100FC S100FC.xsd">
<S100FC:name>S-104</S100FC:name>
<S100FC:scope>Water level data are intended to be used as stand-alone data or as
  a layer in an ENC.</S100FC:scope>
<S100FC:fieldOfApplication>Marine navigation</S100FC:fieldOfApplication>
<S100FC:versionNumber>0.0.7</S100FC:versionNumber>
<S100FC:versionDate>2020-07-30</S100FC:versionDate>
- <S100FC:producer>
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- <S100CI:party>
- <S100CI:CI_Organisation>
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- <S100CI:contactInfo>
- <S100CI:phone>
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</S100CI:phone>
- <S100CI:address>
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<S100CI:postalCode>B.P.445</S100CI:postalCode>
<S100CI:country>MONACO</S100CI:country>
<S100CI:electronicMailAddress>info@iho.int</S100CI:electronicMailAddress>
</S100CI:address>
<S100CI:hoursOfService>24h</S100CI:hoursOfService>
</S100CI:contactInfo>
</S100CI:CI_Organisation>
</S100CI:party>
</S100FC:producer>
<S100FC:classification>unclassified</S100FC:classification>
- <S100FC:S100_FC_SimpleAttributes>
- <S100FC:S100_FC_SimpleAttribute>
<S100FC:name>Water Level Height</S100FC:name>
```

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<S100FC:definition>**The height of a water surface relative to a vertical datum.**</S100FC:definition>  
<S100FC:code>**waterLevelHeight**</S100FC:code>  
- <S100FC:definitionReference>  
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</S100FC:definitionReference>  
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</S100FC:S100\_FC\_SimpleAttribute>  
</S100FC:S100\_FC\_SimpleAttribute>  
- <S100FC:name>**Water Level Time**</S100FC:name>  
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<S100FC:code>**waterLevelTime**</S100FC:code>  
<S100FC:remarks>**Unit: Years, months, days, hours, minutes, seconds; Resolution: 1 second; Format: YYYYMMDDTHHMMSSZ, where Y is year, M is month, D is day, H is hour, M is minute, and S is second; Example: 19850412T101530Z denotes 10 hours, 15 minutes, and 30 seconds on 12 April 1985.**</S100FC:remarks>  
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</S100FC:S100\_FC\_SimpleAttribute>  
- <S100FC:name>**Water Level Trend**</S100FC:name>  
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```
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**Annex E – Portrayal Catalogue**

**Annex F – Validation Checks**

**Annex G – Meteorological and Hydrographic Data AIS Application-Specific Message**

**Met opmerkingen [GS51]:** Probably need to remove this Annex as real-time data won't be in S-104 until Ed 2.0.0 or later.

1.1 This message allows the distribution of meteorological and hydrographic information.

1.2 This message should not be transmitted when positional information or time of measurement are not available. If there is no data available for that particular data field, it should be displayed as "not available".

1.3 Not all the information specified in the table below will be available at all stations.

| Number | Parameter         | No. of bits | Description   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------|---|
| 1      | Message ID        | 6           | Identifier for Message 8, always 8.   |
| 2      | Repeat Indicator  | 2           | Used by the repeater to indicate how many times a message has been repeated.<br>0 - 3<br>0 = default<br>3 = do not repeat anymore   |
| 3      | Source ID         | 30          | MMSI number of source station   |
| 4      | Spare             | 2           | Not used. Set to zero.  |
| 5      | IAI               | 16          | DAC = 001; FI = 31  |
| 6      | Longitude         | 25          | Longitude in 1/1,000 min, ±180 degrees as per 2's complement<br>(East = positive, West = negative).<br>181 = not available = default  |
| 7      | Latitude          | 24          | Latitude in 1/1,000 min, ±90 degrees as per 2's complement<br>(North = positive, South = negative).<br>91 = not available = default   |
| 8      | Position Accuracy | 1           | 1 = high (<10 m; Differential Mode of, e.g., DGNSS receiver)<br>0 = low (>10 m; Autonomous Mode of, e.g., GNSS receiver or of other electronic position fixing device)<br>default = 0 |
|        | Time Stamp        |             | UTC date and time of the data.  |
| 9      | UTC Day           | 5           | 1 - 31<br>0 = not available = default   |
| 10     | UTC Hour          | 5           | 0 - 23<br>24 = not available = default  |
| 11     | UTC Minute        | 6           | 0 - 59<br>60 = not available = default  |

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|----|-----------------------|----|---|
| 12 | Average Wind Speed    | 7  | Average of wind speed values for the last 10 minutes, in 1 knot steps.<br>0 - 125 knots<br>126 = wind 126 knots or greater<br>127 = not available = default   |
| 13 | Wind Gust             | 7  | Maximum wind speed reading during the last 10 minutes, in 1 knot steps.<br>0 - 125 knots<br>126 = wind 126 knots or greater<br>127 = not available = default  |
| 14 | Wind Direction        | 9  | Direction of the average wind during the last 10 minutes, in 1 degree steps.<br>0 - 359 degrees<br>360 = not available = default<br>361 - 511 (reserved for future use)   |
| 15 | Wind Gust direction   | 9  | Direction of the maximum wind during the last 10 minutes, in 1 degree steps.<br>0 - 359 degrees<br>360 = not available = default<br>361 - 511 (not for use)   |
| 16 | Air Temperature       | 11 | Dry bulb temperature in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps.<br>-60 to +60 degrees Celsius<br>601 - 1,023 (reserved for future use)<br>-1,024 = data not available = default<br>-1,023 to -601 (reserved for future use) |
| 17 | Relative Humidity     | 7  | Relative Humidity, in 1% steps.<br>0 - 100%<br>101 = not available = default<br>102 -127 (reserved for future use)  |
| 18 | Dew Point             | 10 | Dew point temperature in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps.<br>-20.0 to +50.0 degrees<br>501 = not available = default<br>502 - 511 (reserved for future use)<br>-511 to -201 (reserved for future use)                |
| 19 | Air Pressure          | 9  | Air pressure, defined as pressure reduced to sea level, in 1 hPa steps.<br>0 = pressure 799 hPa or less<br>1 - 401 = 800 - 1200 hPa<br>402 = pressure 1201 hPa or greater<br>403 - 510 (reserved for future use)<br>511 = not available = default |
| 20 | Air Pressure Tendency | 2  | 0 = steady<br>1 = decreasing<br>2 = increasing<br>3 = not available = default   |

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|    |                                    |    |   |
|----|------------------------------------|----|---|
| 21 | Horizontal Visibility              | 8  | Horizontal visibility, in 0.1 Nautical Miles steps (00000000 to 01111111).<br>0.0 - 12.6 Nautical Miles<br>The most significant bit (MSB) indicates that the maximum range of the visibility equipment was reached and the reading shall be regarded as > x.x NM. (e.g., if 10110010, then visibility is 5.0 NM or greater)<br>127 = data not available = default |
| 22 | Water Level (incl. tide)           | 12 | Deviation from local chart datum, in 0.01 metre steps. -10.00 to +30.00 metres<br>A value representing 0 - 4,000 is sent by the 12 binary bits. The water level is achieved by adding -10.0 to the sent value.<br>Water level = (Integer value /100) – 10 for Integer = 0-4,000<br>4,001 = not available = default<br>4,002 – 4,095 (reserved for future use)     |
| 23 | Water Level Trend                  | 2  | 0 = steady<br>1 = decreasing<br>2 = increasing<br>3 = not available = default   |
| 24 | Surface Current Speed (incl. tide) | 8  | Speed of Current measured at the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps.<br>0.0 - 25.0 knots<br>251 = speed 25.1 knots or greater<br>255 = not available = default<br>252-254 (reserved for future use)   |
| 25 | Surface Current Direction          | 9  | Direction of Current at the sea surface, in 1 degree steps.<br>0 - 359 degrees<br>360 = not available = default<br>361 - 511 (reserved for future use)  |
| 26 | Current Speed, #2                  | 8  | Speed of Current 2 measured at a chosen level below the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps.<br>(Same as Surface Current Speed)  |
| 27 | Current Direction, #2              | 9  | Direction of Current 2, in 1 degree steps.<br>(Same as Surface Current Direction)   |
| 28 | Current Measuring level, #2        | 5  | Measuring level below sea surface, in 1 metre increment.<br>0 - 30 metres<br>31 = not available = default   |
| 29 | Current Speed, #3                  | 8  | Speed of Current 3 measured at a chosen level below the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps.<br>(Same as Surface Current Speed)  |

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|----|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 30 | Current Direction, #3       | 9 | Direction of Current 3, in 1 degree steps.<br>(Same as Surface Current Direction)  |
| 31 | Current Measuring level, #3 | 5 | Measuring level below sea surface, in 1 metre steps.<br>0 - 30 metres<br>31 = data not available = default   |
| 32 | Significant Wave Height     | 8 | Height of the waves, in 0.1 metre steps.<br>0.0 - 25.0 metres<br>251 = height 25.1 metres or greater<br>255 = data not available = default<br>252 - 254 (reserved for future use)  |
| 33 | Wave Period                 | 6 | Wave period, in 1 second steps.<br>0 - 60 seconds<br>61 - 62 (reserved for future use)<br>63 = not available = default   |
| 34 | Wave Direction              | 9 | Direction of waves, in 1 degree steps.<br>0 - 359 degrees<br>360 = data not available = default<br>361 - 511 (reserved for future use)   |
| 35 | Swell Height                | 8 | Height of the swell, in 0.1 metre steps.<br>0.0 - 25.0 metres<br>251 = height 25.1 metres or greater<br>255 = data not available = default<br>252 - 254 (reserved for future use)  |
| 36 | Swell Period                | 6 | Swell period, in 1 second steps.<br>0 - 60 seconds<br>61 - 62 (reserved for future use)<br>63 = not available = default  |
| 37 | Swell Direction             | 9 | Direction of swells, in 1 degree steps.<br>0 - 359 degrees<br>360 = not available = default<br>361 - 511 (reserved for future use)   |
| 38 | Sea State                   | 4 | Beaufort Scale, defined in the table below.<br>0 = calm<br>1 = light air<br>2 = light breeze<br>3 = gentle breeze<br>4 = moderate breeze<br>5 = fresh breeze<br>6 = strong breeze<br>7 = near gale<br>8 = gale<br>9 = strong gale<br>10 = storm<br>11 = violent storm<br>12 = hurricane<br>13 = not available = default<br>14 - 15 = (reserved for future use) |

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| 39        | Water Temperature    | 10         | Temperature of the water in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps.<br>-10.0 to +50.0 degrees<br>501 = data not available = default<br>502 - 511 (reserved for future use)<br>-511 to -101 (reserved for future use) |
| 40        | Precipitation (type) | 3          | According to WMO 306 Code table 4.201:<br>0 = reserved<br>1 = rain<br>2 = thunderstorm<br>3 = freezing rain<br>4 = mixed/ice<br>5 = snow<br>6 = reserved<br>7 = not available = default  |
| 41        | Salinity             | 9          | Salinity, in 0.1‰ (ppt) steps.<br>0.0 - 50.0 ‰<br>50.1 = salinity 50.1 ‰ or greater<br>510 = not available = default<br>511 = sensor not available<br>502 - 509 (reserved for future use)  |
| 42        | Ice                  | 2          | 0 = No<br>1 = Yes<br>2 = (reserved for future use)<br>3 = not available = default  |
| 43        | Spare                | 10         | Not used. Set to zero  |
| <b>44</b> | <b>Total</b>         | <b>360</b> | <b>Occupies 2 slots</b>  |

- All times should be indicated as Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
- All directions indicated are true north.

**Beaufort scale**

| Scale | Sea Conditions  |
|-------|---|
| 0     | Flat.   |
| 1     | Ripples without crests.                                     |
| 2     | Small wavelets. Crests of glassy appearance, not breaking.  |
| 3     | Large wavelets. Crests begin to break; scattered whitecaps. |
| 4     | Small waves.  |
| 5     | Moderate (1.2 m) longer waves. Some foam and spray.         |
| 6     | Large waves with foam crests and some spray.                |

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| 7      | Sea heaps up and foam begins to streak.  |
| 8      | Moderately high waves with breaking crests forming spindrift. Streaks of foam.                                   |
| 9      | High waves (6-7 m) with dense foam. Wave crests start to roll over. Considerable spray.                          |
| 10     | Very high waves. The sea surface is white and there is considerable tumbling. Visibility is reduced.             |
| 11     | Exceptionally high waves.  |
| 12     | Huge waves. Air filled with foam and spray. Sea completely white with driving spray. Visibility greatly reduced. |
| 13     | not available = default  |
| 14 -15 | (reserved for future use)  |

**Feature Type**

**Name:** Meteorological and Hydrographic Data AIS Application-Specific Message  
**Definition:** This message allows the distribution of meteorological and hydrographic information via AIS  
**camelCase:** MethydroDataAISMessage  
**Remarks: -** This message must not be transmitted when positional information or time of measurement are not available.  
**Alias: -**

**Feature Attributes**

**Name:** Message ID  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Identifier for Message 8; always 8. Message ID 8 - Binary broadcast message (provides a structure which can accommodate data suited for a specific application (e.g. meteorological and hydrographic data))  
**camelCase:** messageID  
**Cardinality:** 1  
**Data Type:** text

**Name:** Repeat Indicator  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Used by the repeater to indicate how many times a message has been repeated. 0 - 3, 0 = default, 3 = do not repeat anymore.

**camelCase:** repeatIndicator  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Source ID  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** MMSI number of source station.  
**camelCase:** sourceID

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**Cardinality:** 1  
**Data Type:** text

**Name:** Spare  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Not used. Set to zero.  
**camelCase:** spare  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** text (tbc)

**Name:** IAI (tbc)  
**Attribute type:** Complex  
**Definition:** International Application Identifier, DAC = 001; FI = 31  
**camelCase:** IAI (tbc)  
**Cardinality:** 1..\* (tbc)

**Sub Attributes**

**Name:** DAC  
**Definition:** Designated Area Code  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Data Type:** text

**Name:** FI  
**Definition:** Function Identifier  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Data Type:** text

**Feature Attributes**

**Name:** Longitude  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Longitude in 1/1,000 min,  $\pm 180$  degrees as per 2's complement (East = positive, West = negative). 181 = not available = default  
**camelCase:** longitude  
**Cardinality:** 1  
**Data Type:** (tbc)

**Name:** Latitude  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Latitude in 1/1,000 min,  $\pm 90$  degrees as per 2's complement (North = positive, South = negative). 91 = not available = default

**camelCase:** latitude  
**Cardinality:** 1  
**Data Type:** (tbc)

**Name:** Positional Accuracy  
**Attribute Type:** Simple

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**Definition:** 1 = high (<10 m; Differential Mode of, e.g., DGNSS receiver) 0 = low (>10 m; Autonomous Mode of, e.g., GNSS receiver or of other electronic position fixing device) default = 0  
**camelCase:** positionalAccuracy  
**Cardinality:** 1  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Time Stamp  
**Attribute type:** Complex  
**Definition:** UTC date and time of the data  
**camelCase:** timeStamp  
**Cardinality:** 1 (tbc)

**Sub Attributes**

**Name:** UTC Day  
**Definition:** 1 - 31, 0 = not available = default  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** UTC Hour  
**Definition:** 0 - 23, 24 = not available = default  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** UTC Minute  
**Definition:** 0 - 59, 60 = not available = default  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Feature Attributes**

**Name:** Average Wind Speed  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Average of wind speed values for the last 10 minutes, in 1 knot steps. 0 - 125 knots, 126 = wind 126 knots or greater, 127 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** averageWindSpeed  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Wind Gust  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Maximum wind speed reading during the last 10 minutes, in 1 knot steps. 0 - 125 knots, 126 = wind 126 knots or greater, 127 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** windGust  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)  
**Name:** Wind Direction

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**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Direction of the average wind during the last 10 minutes, in 1 degree steps. 0 - 359 degrees, 360 = not available = default, 361 - 511 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** windDirection  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Wind Gust Direction  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Direction of the maximum wind during the last 10 minutes, in 1 degree steps. 0 - 359 degrees, 360 = not available = default, 361 - 511 (not for use).  
**camelCase:** windGustDirection  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Air Temperature  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Dry bulb temperature in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps. -60 to +60 degrees Celsius, 601 - 1,023 (reserved for future use), -1,024 = data not available = default, -1,023 to -601 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** airTemperature  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Relative Humidity  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Relative Humidity, in 1% steps. 0 - 100%, 101 = not available = default, 102 -127 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** relativeHumidity  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Dew point  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Dew point temperature in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps. -20.0 to +50.0 degrees, 501 = not available = default, 502 - 511 (reserved for future use), -511 to -201 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** dewPoint  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Air Pressure  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Air pressure, defined as pressure reduced to sea level, in 1 hPa steps. 0 = pressure 799 hPa or less, 1 - 401 = 800 - 1200 hPa, 402 = pressure 1201 hPa or greater, 403 - 510 (reserved for future use), 511 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** airPressure  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

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**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Air Pressure Tendency

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:**

**camelCase:** airPressureTendency

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** Enumeration

**Values:**  
1: steady  
2: decreasing  
3: increasing  
4: not available = default

**Name:** Horizontal Visibility

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Horizontal visibility, in 0.1 Nautical Miles steps (00000000 to 01111111). 0.0 - 12.6 Nautical Miles. The most significant bit (MSB) indicates that the maximum range of the visibility equipment was reached and the reading shall be regarded as > x.x NM. (e.g., if 10110010, then visibility is 5.0 NM or greater), 127 = data not available = default.

**camelCase:** horizontalVisibility

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Water Level (including tide)

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Deviation from local chart datum, in 0.01 metre steps. -10.00 to +30.00 metres. A value representing 0 - 4,000 is sent by the 12 binary bits. The water level is achieved by adding -10.0 to the sent value. Water level = (Integer value /100) - 10 for Integer = 0-4,000. 4,001 = not available = default 4,002 - 4,095 (reserved for future use).

**camelCase:** waterLevelIncTide

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Water Level Trend

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:**

**camelCase:** waterLevelTrend

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** Enumeration

**Values:**  
1: steady  
2: decreasing  
3: increasing  
4: not available = default

**Name:** Surface Current Speed (including tide)

**Attribute Type:** Simple

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**Definition:** Speed of Current measured at the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps. 0.0 - 25.0 knots, 251 = speed 25.1 knots or greater, 255 = not available = default, 252-254 (reserved for future use).

**camelCase:** surfaceCurrentSpeedIncTide

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Surface Current Direction

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Direction of Current at the sea surface, in 1 degree steps. 0 - 359 degrees, 360 = not available = default, 361 - 511 (reserved for future use).

**camelCase:** surfaceCurrentDirection

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Speed, #2

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Speed of Current 2 measured at a chosen level below the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps. (Same as Surface Current Speed)

**camelCase:** currentSpeed2

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Direction, #2

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Direction of Current 2, in 1 degree steps. (Same as Surface Current Direction)

**camelCase:** currentDirection2

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Measuring Level, #2

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Measuring level below sea surface, in 1 metre increment. 0 - 30 metres, 31 = not available = default.

**camelCase:** currentMeasuringLevel2

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Speed, #3

**Attribute Type:** Simple

**Definition:** Speed of Current 3 measured at a chosen level below the sea surface, in 0.1 knot steps. (Same as Surface Current Speed)

**camelCase:** currentSpeed3

**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)

**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Direction, #3

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**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Direction of Current 3, in 1 degree steps. (Same as Surface Current Direction)  
**camelCase:** currentDirection3  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Current Measuring Level, #3  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Measuring level below sea surface, in 1 metre increment. 0 - 30 metres, 31 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** currentMeasuringLevel3  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Significant Wave Height  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Height of the waves, in 0.1 metre steps. 0.0 - 25.0 metres, 251 = height 25.1 metres or greater, 255 = data not available = default, 252 - 254 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** significantWaveHeight  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Wave Period  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Wave period, in 1 second steps. 0 - 60 seconds, 61 - 62 (reserved for future use), 63 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** wavePeriod  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Wave Direction  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Direction of waves, in 1 degree steps. 0 - 359 degrees, 360 = data not available = default 361 - 511 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** waveDirection  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Swell Height  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Height of the swell, in 0.1 metre steps. 0.0 - 25.0 metres, 251 = height 25.1 metres or greater, 255 = data not available = default, 252 - 254 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** swellHeight  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Swell Period

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**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Swell period, in 1 second steps. 0 - 60 seconds, 61 - 62 (reserved for future use), 63 = not available = default.  
**camelCase:** swellPeriod  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Swell Direction  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Direction of swells, in 1 degree steps. 0 - 359 degrees, 360 = not available = default, 361 - 511 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** swellDirection  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Sea State  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Beaufort Scale  
**camelCase:** seaState  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** Enumeration  
**Values:**

- 1: calm
- 2: light air
- 3: light breeze
- 4: gentle breeze
- 5: moderate breeze
- 6: fresh breeze
- 7: strong breeze
- 8: near gale
- 9: gale
- 10: strong gale
- 11: storm
- 12: violent storm
- 13: hurricane
- 14: not available
- 15: reserved
- 16: reserved for future use

**Name:** Water Temperature  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Temperature of the water in degrees Celsius (as per 2's complement), in 0.1 degree steps. -10.0 to +50.0 degrees, 501 = data not available = default, 502 - 511 (reserved for future use), -511 to -101 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** waterTemperature  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

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**Name:** Precipitation type  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:**  
**camelCase:** precipitationType  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** Enumeration  
**Values:** 1: reserved  
2: rain  
3: thunderstorm  
4: freezing rain  
5: mixed/ice  
6: snow  
7: reserved for future use  
8: not available

**Name:** Salinity  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Salinity, in 0.1‰ (ppt) steps. 0.0 - 50.0 ‰, 50.1 = salinity 50.1 ‰ or greater, 510 = not available = default, 511 = sensor not available, 502 - 509 (reserved for future use).  
**camelCase:** salinity  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** real (tbc)

**Name:** Ice  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:**  
**camelCase:** ice  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** Enumeration  
**Values:** 1: no  
2: yes  
3: reserved for future use  
4: not available

**Name:** Spare End of Message  
**Attribute Type:** Simple  
**Definition:** Not used. Set to zero.  
**camelCase:** spareEndOfMessage  
**Cardinality:** 0..1 (tbc)  
**Data Type:** text (tbc)

## Annex H – Informative Implementation Guidance and General Notes for AIS Message (*To be developed*).

Met opmerkingen [GS52]: Probably can remove this as real-time data won't be included in S-104 until Ed 2.0.0 or later

### System requirements

- AIS Application-Specific Messages are transmitted and received by shipborne mobile AIS devices and AIS base stations. Shore-based stations can receive AIS Application-Specific Messages and distribute them to shore-based users.
- The display capability of AIS Application-Specific Messages is not part of the mandatory functions of the Minimum Keyboard and Display (MKD). The display of the information transmitted by AIS Application-Specific Messages requires external hardware and dedicated software in addition to the AIS equipment.
- The generation and transmission of AIS Application-Specific Messages also requires dedicated software and suitable equipment for entering the information.

### Points to note:

- IALA Guideline No. 1082 - An Overview of AIS Edition 1 June 2011 - *AIS uses an open protocol and is not intended for secure communications*. The means for ensuring the quality and correctness of the AIS information needs to be secured.
- Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services RTCM is preparing a standard - RTCM standard for the Creation and Qualification of Application-Specific Messages.
- SN.1/Circ.289, 12 Environmental - messages providing environmental information from one to eight sensor reports. Each sensor report carries the dynamic or static information relating to a specific sensor, such as the Water level report.
- IALA Guideline No. 1028 - Use of AIS for Meteorological and Hydrographic purposes. Where such an application is intended for international use, the message format will be registered by IALA prior to being made available to system manufacturers. This will facilitate the correct presentation of the information on systems from different manufacturers.
- IALA Recommendation A-124 - This section introduces the AIS Service Data Model. It is meant to describe what data is used, received and transmitted by the AIS Service. It is important to understand that the data objects used by the AIS Service are derived from an over-arching data model called the IALA Universal Maritime Data Model (UMDM).

The Basic AIS Services define the functionality provided by the AIS Service. They are operations performed on certain data objects. To provide a complete picture of what the AIS Service can deliver its clients, it is necessary to consider those data objects and their structure and mutual relationship. Eventually, it is the data, which is only relevant for the clients.

- IALA Guideline No. 1095 - Once the Common Shared Maritime Datamodel (CSDM), which is based on IHO's Registry, is developed, data elements used in ASMs should be drawn from and directly linked to that registry. There may be a requirement for a Dynamic Water Level Data domain or a Meteorological and Hydrographic AIS Application-Specific Message domain or similar in the IHO Registry.
- There may be a requirement for an AIS Application-Specific Messages section in S-100.
- IALA Guideline No. 1095 - Frequency of transmission. ASMs may be sent in different modes: Automatic, On request and Sequencing.

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### **Extracts from papers to note:**

AIS Binary Message updates IMO SN.1/Circ.289 and IMO SN.1/Circ.290 review, US Hydro conference 2011 - Tampa - Ted Read MRIN

Consequences from message changes from Circ.236 to Circ.289:

- Binary message restructure, needs two parses
- Variance from ITU-R M.1371 standard

Future requirements: Security and Website information

Conclusions:

Incorporation within the ECDIS standard, Expand on graphic display format, Harmonize Inland/Coastal usage

Range and accuracy Water Level - The new message has overcome the previous limit on Water Level resolution from 0.1m to 0.01m. Unfortunately it has parted from the AIS standard for 2"s compliment numbers by having a constant offset of -10.0m.

Subjective or derived values - Many of the parameters defined in the IMO TideMet standard message are subjective so are not suitable for automated instrumentation (e.g. Sea State, Visibility, Precipitation). Other parameters such as Dew Point and Significant Wave Height are derived so could be calculated by a client program. A standard calculation of derived values should be formally stated.

Tide and Metrological data over AIS, written by E.F.Read & W.S.Heaps

The structure of an AIS message

As can be seen by the large number of zeros in the previous example of type 8 output the IMO specified message formats appear to suffer from the following faults:

- Over specified, much of the message is not of interest to many users.
- Badly aligned bit format so that data is not byte aligned and computer friendly.
- Messages not size optimised by splitting into rapid and slow change data.

The individual tide and metrological message is defined by parameters DAC=1 and FI=11, this is not very easy to use, as the software has to first decode a message as a type 8 then work out from the DAC/FI code if the data is relevant as a TideMet message. The limitations on use of a DAC code having been assigned to countries leaving the 63 possible FI codes a little limited.

Other useful references in this paper include: Standalone 'Real' AtoN TideMet station, Receiving software, Licensing of AIS AtoN devices, AIS TideMet applications.

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