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DATA SHEETS (also known as DSDATA)

DSDATA is the traditional format of NGS data sheets. It is the format found on NGS diskettes, and [CD-ROMs](#). Program [DSWIN](#) may be used to search DSDATA files on the PC.

Documentation

- View a [sample data sheet](#) in DSDATA format
- View the DSDATA [format specifications](#)

NGS DataBase Search & Retrieval

A retrieval of DSDATA will result in one or more data sheets being returned to your browser, where, depending on the capabilities of your browser, you may view them and/or save them to a file for further processing.

CD-ROMs may be [purchased](#) from NGS. Datasheets are downloaded monthly for new stations loaded into the database and for stations whose coordinates have changed. These datasheets are stored in separate State Directories which may be used to update your annual CD-ROM.

- [Get CD-ROM Updates](#)

**Click On
SUBMIT RECOVERY**

NGS Data Base Updates for Recovered Marks

This form allows an individual to contribute a description of a recovered mark to NGS for processing and possible loading into the geodetic data base

- [Submit Recovery](#)

For information, contact: NGS Information Services Branch
Telephone: 301-713-3242; Fax: 301-713-4172
[Email: info_center @ ngs.noaa.gov](mailto:info_center@ngs.noaa.gov)

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Mark Recovery Entry

This form can be used to submit recoveries of survey marks to the National Geodetic Survey. If the data sheet for this mark shows a recovery within the past year and the status has not changed, please do not report it.

1. Enter PID

Enter PID:

2. Check Condition

Select condition of mark:

- Good
- Not recovered, not found
- Poor, disturbed, mutilated, requires maintenance

For Destroyed condition, see **Note** below

Note: For destroyed marks do one of the following:

1) If you found the actual marker separated from its setting, you may report the point as destroyed. To do so please send the report on the destroyed mark as an email to Deb Brown (Deb.Brown@noaa.gov); if you send this email please do not submit the current form; instead Deb will submit the report for you. **In addition, please submit proof of the mark's destruction**

Enter
"USPSQD"

integrated database (NGSIDB). On this list the agency code starts in column 1 and the agency full name follows it. The list is sorted alphabetically by agency code. If your agency is not on this list you must contact NGS to make the appropriate arrangements; you may do this by contacting the person whose name appears at the end of this form.

Enter agency code of the recovering organization/agency:

Enter
Initials

Enter initials of the person who recovered the mark (Optional):

The date of recovery must be expressed as a numerical month (between 1 and 12), a numerical day of the month, and a four character numerical year. The month, day, and year may be separated by spaces or by commas.

Valid examples are:
4, 25, 1998 for April 25, 1998
4 25 1998 for April 25, 1998

Enter Date

The current program is not valid for dates before 1990.

Enter date of recovery:

Enter
Name & Email

Enter your name and email address.

Privacy Statement: Your name and email address will be used only to contact you regarding your recovery. They will not be used for any other purpose.

Enter name:

Enter email address:

You may, if you wish, enter up to 5 lines of text. The following are the only allowed characters: letters, numbers, blank or

Enter your name and email address.

Privacy Statement: Your name and email address will be used only to contact you if there is a problem in loading your recovery. They will not be used for any other purpose.

Enter name:

Enter email address:

Enter Remarks or Comments

You may, if you wish, enter up to 5 lines of text. The following are the only allowed characters: letters, numbers, blank or space (), comma (,), period or decimal (.), apostrophe or single quote ('), asterisk (*), plus sign (+), minus sign or hyphen (-), equal sign (=), slash (/), left parenthesis ((), right parenthesis ()).

Warning: Do not enter personal phone numbers.

Note: Text such as RECOVERED AS DESCRIBED, or MARK NOT FOUND, or DESCRIPTION IS ADEQUATE, etc. is not necessary.

submit

**Click
SUBMIT**

For assistance contact Deb Brown
Email: Deb.Brown@noaa.gov

Verify Station Name for Mark Recovery

The Station Name for PID AW1342 is:

**Check
Station Name**

E 1242

State: TEXAS

County: GALVESTON

Is this the correct station?

Yes No

**Click If Correct
and SUBMIT**

submit

Satellite Usage

Generally, a station is suitable for satellite observations if there is a clear and unobstructed view of the sky from approximately 15 degrees above the horizon at the location of the station. Small objects such as a light pole or small tree are excepted.

Is this station suitable for satellite observations?

- Yes No Don't know

submit

**Check And
Then Click
SUBMIT**

Thank you for submitting this recovery. These data will be processed and should appear in the National Spatial Reference System within 30 days.

If you would like to submit another recovery, you may go back to the initial form and change only those items which need to be changed. I.e., to submit additional recoveries without re-keying items which do not change, do as follows: Hit the "Back" button a couple of times until you get back to the initial form. Then change only those items which need to be changed. Then re-submit the form. Your old information will be retained and re-submitted along with the newly-keyed information.

**Click On The Browser
BACK Button To Get
Back To The First Page
You Will Then Be Able To
Enter The Next
Benchmark**