

Online Orders for Certified Climate Data

What is Certified Data? Most states require all records that are to be submitted as evidence in a court of law to be authenticated in some way. To comply with this requirement, the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) offers certification of the data maintained in our archives. Only the DOC certification is available online.

Charges: The charge is based upon the number of pages to be certified. For certification of 40 pages or less, the online charge is \$63.00, for >40 pages and <=80 pages the charge is \$126.00, etc. plus \$3.00 handling. The online cost is discounted by about 15% compared to ordering the same certifications offline by telephone.

Delivery: Certified data is ordered online but delivery of certified paper copies is still by regular mail. Your certified order will be sent by your indicated shipping method and normally takes 5-7 business days.

How to Order Online:

Products purchased through the Online Store (ULCD/QCLCD and COOP Daily (digital archive copy):

1. Select the products you wish to have certified and add each product to your Online Shopping Cart Checkout and pay for your data order via credit card
2. **Preview** the data ordered first, then click on the button: **Certify Products In This Order** on the right hand side of your Online Order page
3. Follow the instructions to place a second order to certify your data. You will only be charged once for data. The second order is for the certification fee.

IMPORTANT: Please ensure that the specific data you require is available by accessing the data links BEFORE you order certified copies of these data.

NEW - FREE Products from Image & Publications (IPS) system (LCD publication and COOP PDF (original form only):

1. Visit <http://www7.ncdc.noaa.gov/IPS/>
2. View the LCD or COOP form
3. Click on the button: **Purchase certified copy** on the data access page
4. Follow the instructions to purchase the data and certification through the online store.

NEW - Global Historical Climate Network (GHCN), and Other data products from the Climate Data Online system (CDO v2 system <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/cdo-web/search>) that are provided in PDF output format ONLY are now available for certification.

1. Generate your free order using the CDO system <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/cdo-web/search> **NOTE: you must select the PDF output format when generating your order if you wish to later certify this data.**
2. You will receive an email after your order is completed that contains a link in the upper right to 'Certify this order'

CERTIFICATION
Certain data sets can be certified for court cases or insurance claims. Certification fees vary based on the amount of data requested. [Learn more about certification.](#)

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3. When you click this button, you will be directed to the NNDC Online Store where you will see the cost for certification. This certification cost for the GHCN products includes a paper cost + the certification charge.
4. Follow the Online Store directions to purchase this product. **NOTE: We only accept credit card payment for online store orders.**

When your order is complete, it will be officially certified by NCDC and mailed to you.