WDCGG User Manual

Chapter 1　2018 WDCGG website update

1. 1 Objectives of the 2018 WDCGG website update

The World Data Centre for Greenhouse Gases (WDCGG) has been operating for more than a quarter of a century since its establishment in 1990. Requests from data contributors and users have included:

a. Notification regarding data usage (e.g., user names/affiliations, purpose of data usage) to contributors
b. Unification of archive data file formats in various categories to a single format for simplified processing on users' computer systems.

Certain types of observation data do not correspond fully with the format of metadata in the WDCGG database due to inappropriate metadata updates. As this makes it difficult for users and for WDCGG staff to improve database management and data services, WDCGG improved the database and strengthened links between observation data and metadata. Along with these improvements, WDCGG updated its official website and data submission procedures.

1.2 User registration

This website has a user registration function to help support contributors. User registration is required for data file downloads.

Many contributors face difficulties with ongoing monitoring due to economic and other limitations. Information on the timing and usage of data provided may help to validate the effectiveness of such work. This information can also be used to improve services provided to users and contributors and to facilitate the fair use of data. Against this background, WDCGG kindly invites users to register.

Provision of information on user names/organizations and email addresses facilitates communication and collaboration with contributors, who reserve the right to know who is using the data they provide. User information will not be distributed or used for other purposes.

Chapter 2   User registration

Before downloading data files, users need to sign up for an account on the WDCGG website (https://gaw.kishou.go.jp/).   Click "Sign up now!" on the homepage and follow the online instructions, which are outlined below.

2.1 Step 1. Fill out the registration form

Fill out the user registration form and check the box to indicate agreement to the terms of the GAW Data Policy and the WDCGG Privacy Policy.
Next, click "Confirm" at the bottom of the page to check the registration form input.

2.2 Step 2. Submit the form

Be sure to click "Submit" at the bottom of the page after checking the input.

2.3 Step 3. Look out for an email containing an activation code

You will shortly receive an email from wdcgg@met.kishou.go.jp with the subject "Registration submitted."   Check your spam folder if the email does not arrive.   The email contains an activation code that can be used to access the URL displayed on the page.

2.4 Step 4. Access the URL with the activation code to complete registration

Access the above URL using your activation code.   When your information is successfully processed, your password is displayed on the page.   You will shortly receive an email with the subject "Welcome to WDCGG!" containing your user ID.

Users will be accredited once registration is complete.