ECMWF Product Requirements Editor (PREd)

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Some info about PREd

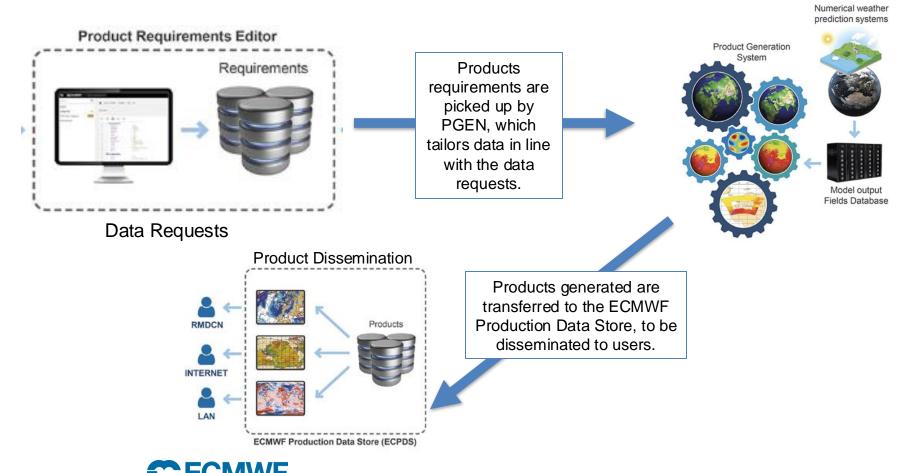
What is PREd?	 A web application used for the management of real-time data requirements. Access to PREd is set-up as part of the real-time forecast data delivery process.
Who can access PREd?	 Member and Co-operating States Real-time licensees with a Silver or Gold Service Packages ECMWF internal users (like DSC team)
Where can I access PREd?	https://apps.ecmwf.int/products/requirements/



ECMWF data production and dissemination system

ECMWF's product dissemination system consists of three main components:

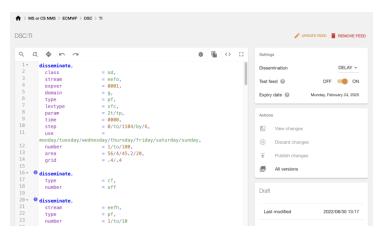
- the Product Requirements Editor (PREd)
- the Product Generation System (PGEN)
- the ECMWF's Production Data Store (ECPDS).

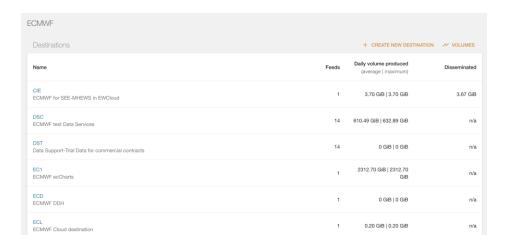


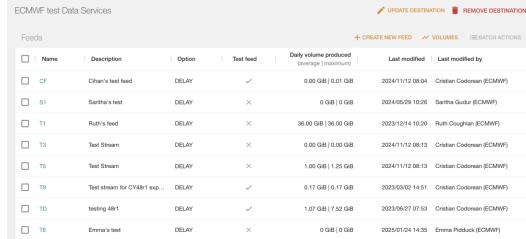
Some definitions in PREd

- Data requirements are grouped in <u>logical</u> containers.
- The home page (top level) shows the destination(s) that every organisation have been assigned.
- A **DESTINATION** represents a physical host (server) where data are transmitted after being generated.

A destinations contains one or more **FEEDS**, which are containers where users can use the requirements editor to install the data.







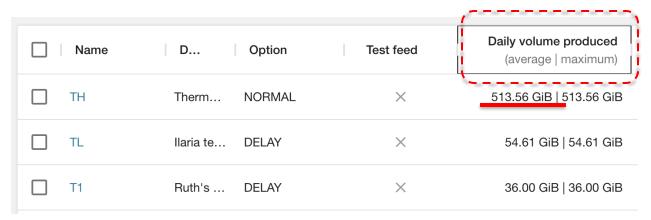
Volume estimates – Volume band

- Volume Band is based on the size of the data request.
- It is estimated using the software ecquote
- 6 Volume Bands in ECMWF service charge model

Volume band (number)	Average volume per day (GiB per day)
1	0 - 1
2	1 - 10
3	10 - 100
4	100 - 500
5	500 - 1,000
6	1,000 - 4,000

https://github.com/ec mwf/ecquote

- The value to be considered to know in which volume band you are, is the Average Volume per day (GiB/day)
- The other information is the Maximum Volume per day.
- All feeds (also test feeds) are counted to calculate the volume band.

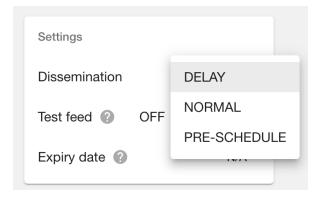




Modes for the feeds

- NORMAL: the files produced from that feed will be automatically pushed to the host
- DELAY: the files produced will be available in ECPDS but in mode "Stand by" (i.e. they are not automatically pushed)
- PRE-SCHEDULE: files are pushed to the user as soon as they are produced, without being queued until the dissemination schedule
- only for Gold/Silver users
- not applicable to all products

https://confluence.ecmwf.int/display/DAC/Pre-Schedule+Delivery



PREd Main page - Organisation's page

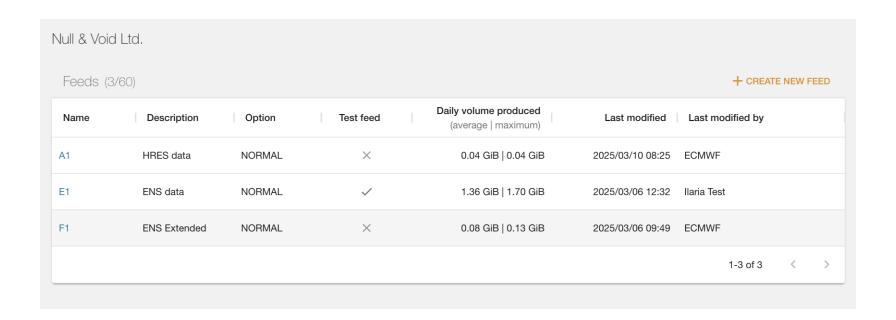
Iull & Void Ltd.	LICENCE HISTORY	
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		Daily volume
Name	Feeds	produced (average maximum)
NV2 Null & Void Ltd.	2	0.25 GiB 0.25 GiB
NVO Null & Void Ltd.	3	1.48 GiB 1.87 GiB



Licence(s) information

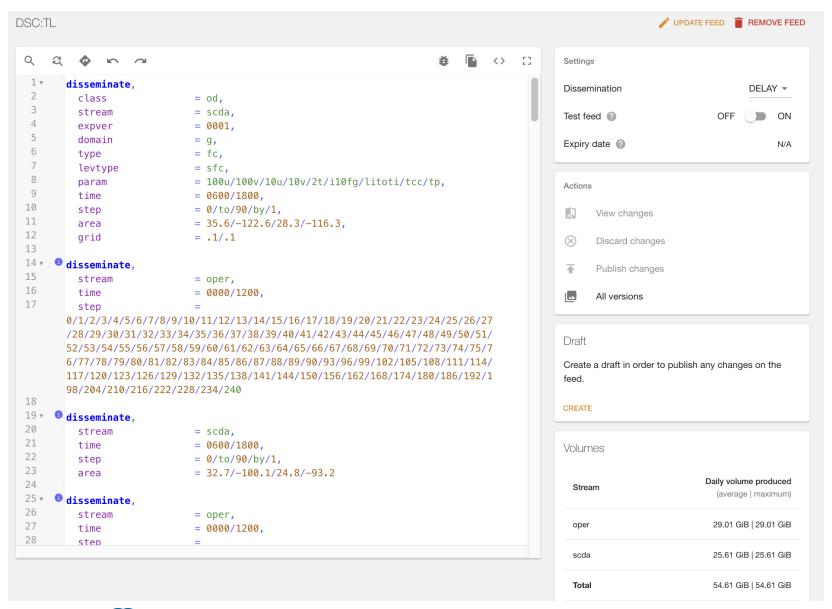
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Licence details		Service level agreement	
Start date	2025/03/03	PREd	
Expiration date	2026/03/02	Access	~
Information cost	€0.00	Max users	
Maximum charge	Yes	Max destinations	
Service charge model	July 2024	Test data for cycle upgrades	,
Volume band	100 - 500 GiB	Max changes by ECMWF	
Volume charge	€2.00	Max changes by user	Unlimit
Service Package	Gold	Pre-schedule delivery	,
Service charge	€2.00	ECPDS	
Daily volume produced	average: 0.75 GiB maximum: 0.89 GiB	Access	,
		Max users	
		Max configuration changes	
		Backup host	,
		Max hosts	
		Aliases	,
		Compression	,
		Push delivery	,
		Max parallel connections	
		Directory targeting	,

Single destination appearance





Single feed appearance



Installing data in PREd – The MARS Language

MARS language typical syntax

- Dissemination blocks
- Verb ("disseminate") and couples keyword=value(s) separated by commas

date = 19990104/to/19990110/by/2

Comment with #

range of values

- Not case sensitive
- Values can be single, list or range

Examples of MARS keyword assignments		
Format	Example	
single value	param = temperature/SSRD	
list of values	step = 12/24/48	

```
disseminate,
keyword1 = value1,
... = ...,
keywordn = value n
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```
disseminate,
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```
class
                    = od
                    = scda,
stream
                    = 0001,
expver
domain
                    = q,
                    = fc.
type
                    = sfc.
levtype
                    = 100u/100v/10u/
param
                   = 0600/1800
time
                   = 0/to/90/bv/1
step
                   = 35.6/-122.6/28.3/-116.3
area
                   = .1/.1
grid
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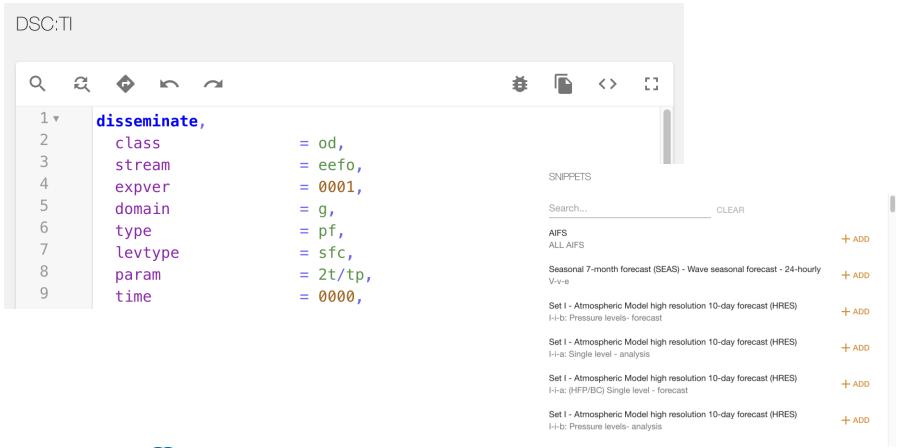
To get more information (note: these pages are for MARS, some info may not be valid in PREd):

- https://confluence.ecmwf.int/display/UDOC/MARS+command+and+request+syntax
- https://confluence.ecmwf.int/display/UDOC/Keywords+in+MARS+and+Dissemination+requests (keywords)



Installing data in PREd - Snippets

- The <> button.
- Snippets will help you in installing your data requirements in PREd.
- It inserts in the feed a template of the set of products you are interested, then you can modify according to your needs.



Installing data in PREd - Autocomplete

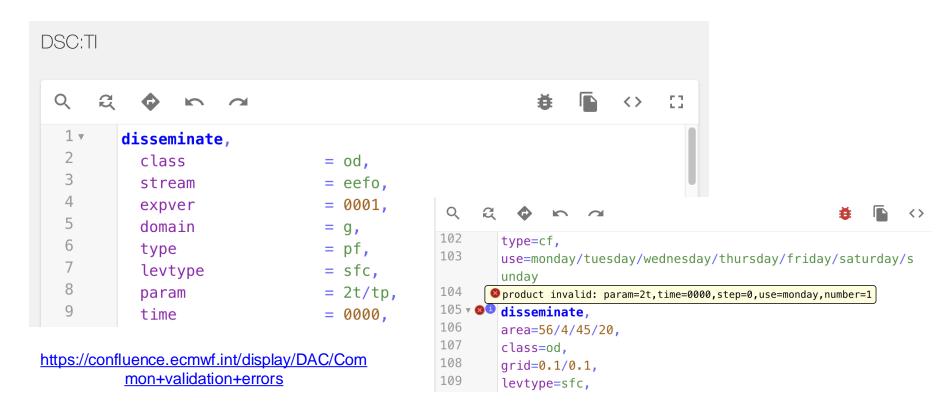
- Provides a list of parameters that can be installed from the parameter database
- Can be called with ctrl+space

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           stream
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           expver
                                    = 0001,
           domain
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           levtype
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                                    = 10u/10
           param
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           time
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10
                                    = 0/to
           step
11
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                                    = .1/.10fg6
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           step
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16
                                            10fqq25
                                                                   10 metre wind gust of at least 25 m/s
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                                    = mn2t 10si
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           param
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           step
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                                            10spg15
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22
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                                    = an,
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           param
                                    = z
24
                                    = 0
           step
25
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Installing data in PREd - Validation

- The bug symbol 🀞
- Validate the data request against what is available and permitted to access.
- If there are errors in the request (products not available, steps that cannot be requested etc) the bug will turn red.
- It is not possible to publish the data request if it does not validate.



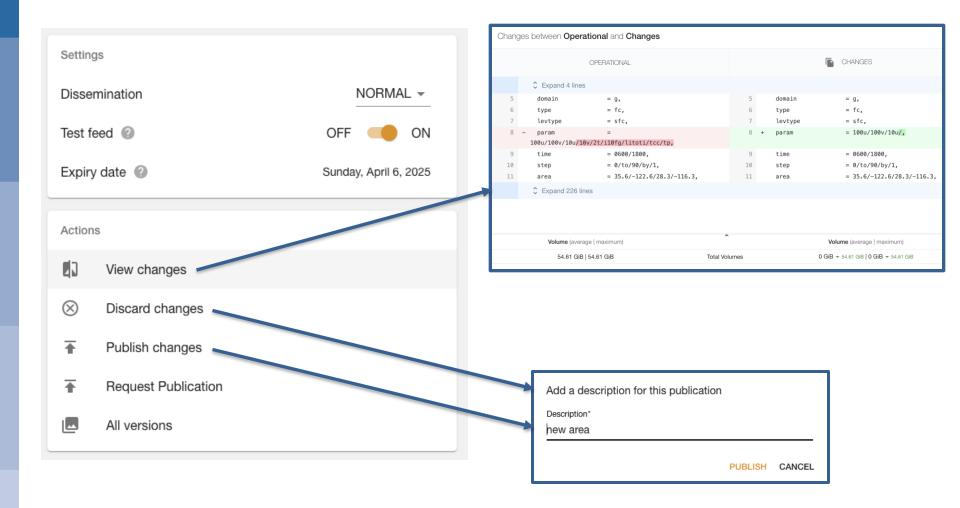


Installing data in PREd - Inheritance

- Instead of repeating the same key=value couples that are shared with the previous dissemination request, it only shows the key=value couples that are not in common.
- See the inherited key/value couples hovering on the

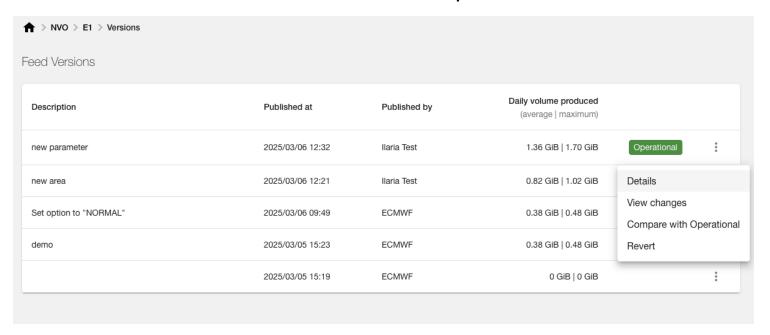
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         levtype
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         param
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                                                                           monday/tuesday/wednesday/thursday/friday/saturday/sunday
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         step
                              = 0/to/1104/by/6.
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                                                                     type
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         number
                               = 1/to/100
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                               = .4/.4
         arid
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       disseminate,
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         number
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Single feed functionalities – View changes



Single feed functionalities – All versions

List of previous versions of the feed

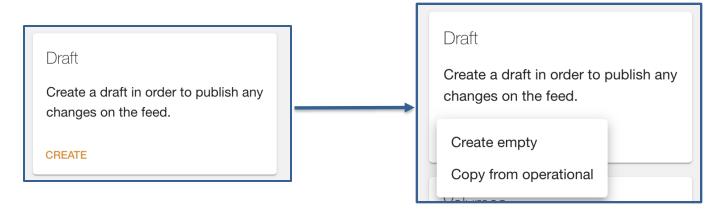


- **Details**: the data request in that version of the feed.
- View changes: the difference with the previous version.
- Compare with operational: the differences with the currently operational version.
- Revert: set that specific version of the feed as operational (overwriting the current operational version).

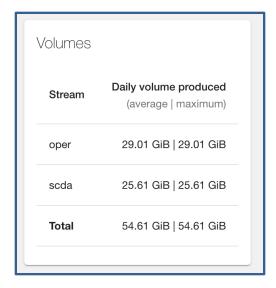


Single feed functionalities – Drafts and Volumes

Before publishing/sending a publication request for a feed, the user needs to create a **draft** of the new data request.



Volumes section shows the size of the data request splitted in the different streams.





Pick-up times

- Changes after publication are not immediate.
- Check the pick-up times table to see what will be the next run to be disseminated according to the new data request.
- Times are in UTC.

Pick-up times			
Pick-up time ψ	Stream	Domain	Time
2025/02/13 02:09	waef	g	0000
2025/02/13 02:09	enfo	g	0000
2025/02/13 02:09	wave	g	0000
2025/02/13 02:09	oper	g	0000
2025/02/12 21:47	waef	g	1800
2025/02/12 21:47	enfo	g	1800
2025/02/12 21:47	scwv	g	1800
2025/02/12 21:47	scda	g	1800
2025/02/12 20:29	waef	g	1200
2025/02/12 20:29	wave	g	1200



Publication of new data requests

- Some max charge users from new service charge model can publish without waiting for DSC approval
 - Gold users: 24/7 (not for Bank Holidays or freezing period)
 - Silver users: Monday 00:00 UTC to Thursday 23:59 UTC. Outside this range, publication will be approved the first day that is not Sunday or a Bank Holiday (if outside the freezing period)
- Some users must send a publication request and need DSC aproval:
 - Standard commercial Silver and Gold users
 - Max charge users of the previous service charge model

Reverting a feed: the files will be disseminated according to the reverted version only after the change is made (according to the pick-up times).

It is not possible to re-disseminate files from a run that is in the past.





Some final considerations

You cannot get some one-time requests from PREd/ECPDS.

PREd (and ECPDS) are applications intended for routine operational delivery of data; they are not suitable as one-off data retrievals (for this we have MARS/archive).

The data in PREd/ECPDS is not retrieved from MARS and configured, but it's FDB (Field Database) created.

Fields Database: A domain-specific object store, designed to store, index and serve meteorological fields produced by the IFS. It acts as the first level of storage for recently created objects.

Limited number of users: we limit the number of people who can change requirements in PREd to avoid operational impacts.

Member States should coordinate access with their current Computing Representative or dissemination manager, while Licensed Users are bound by the contract limitations.

Thanks for your attention! **Questions?**

