



20th Meeting of the ICG/IOTWMS Steering Group

Bureau of Meteorology, West Perth, Australia

09-11 June 2026

Information for Participants

1. Background

The ICG/IOTWMS Steering Group will hold its 20th meeting in Perth Australia during 9 to 11 June 2026. The meeting is being hosted by the Government of Australia through its Bureau of Meteorology.

2. Venue of the Meeting

The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Meteorology's Perth Office. The building is located at the corner of Ord Street and Havelock Street in West Perth. The address is:

Bureau of Meteorology
Level 3, 1 Ord Street
(Corner of Ord Street and Havelock Street)
West Perth

The meeting will take place in the Boardroom on Level 3. However, as lift access to Level 3 is restricted a staff member will meet participants in the Lobby on the Ground Floor and escort them to the meeting room.

3. Visa & Entry Requirements

Please note, participants are responsible for obtaining their own visa for entry to Australia. All participants should initiate their visa applications as soon as travel is confirmed. Information on Australian visas is provided at <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/>.

Please write to Ms Louise Wicks (email: louise.wicks@bom.gov.au) if a letter is required for your visa application.

4. Accommodation

Participants are required to make their own hotel bookings. Hotels located close to the meeting venue (Bureau of Meteorology, West Perth) are listed below. For other hotel options please refer to online booking websites such as Tripadvisor or booking.com.

Quest Kings Park

Website: <https://www.questapartments.com.au/properties/wa/west-perth/quest-kings-park>

Address: 54 Kings Park Rd, West Perth

Phone: +61 8 9420 8700

Riverview on Mount Street

Website: <http://www.riverviewhotel.com.au/>

Address: 42 Mount Street, West Perth

Phone: +61 8 9321 8963

Email: manager@riverviewperth.com.au

The Sebel West Perth

Website: <https://www.thesebel.com/western-australia/the-sebel-west-perth/>

Address: 659 Murray Street, West Perth

Phone: +61 8 6147 8388

Email: reservations@thesebelwestperth.com.au

Holiday Inn West Perth

Website: <https://westperth.holidayinn.com>

Address: 1309 Hay Street, West Perth

Phone: +61 8 6500 9100

Email: sales.holidayinnwestperth@ihg.com

5. Airport Transfers

Perth International Airport is located approximately 15 km to the east of the city centre. Taxi stands are located outside of the terminal. A taxi from the airport to the city costs approximately AU\$40.

The Airport Line train runs from Perth Airport to the city centre. The Airport Central Station can be accessed from Terminal 1 & 2 (T1/T2) via the Skybridge. The train takes 18-minutes from the Airport Central Station (Terminals 1 & 2) to the Perth CBD and costs approximately AUD\$5. The train runs every 12-15 minutes.

6. Getting Around

There are free public buses around Perth known as CATs (Central Area Transit). More information is available at:

<https://www.transperth.wa.gov.au/timetablepdfs/Perth%20CAT%20Timetable%20302%2020251130.pdf>

- The Red CAT stops immediately outside of the Bureau of Meteorology (stop 95).
- The Green CAT stops a block away from the Bureau (stop 44).
- The Purple CAT also stops a block away from the Bureau (stop 32).

The Fremantle Trainline stops in West Perth at the 'City West' Station. From here, it is one stop to 'Perth Underground' in the city centre.

7. Meals

Refreshments and light snacks will be provided during the meeting for morning and afternoon tea breaks.

Meals will not be provided during the meeting and will need to be purchased by the participants from food venues. There are several cafes, restaurants, and a food court in West Perth close to the Bureau and accommodation options. The Westcentre food court and some restaurants are only open for lunch, but many are closed for dinner. For dinner, it is recommended to walk or catch the free CAT bus into the city centre where there are many more options.

8. Time

Perth time is 8:00 hours ahead of UTC.

9. Weather

The month of June in Perth is mild and wet. Daytime highs are around 18-19 degrees Celsius and cool nights near 10 degrees Celsius. Rainfall is on the higher side this month, averaging around 94 mm with roughly half of the days having rain, so bring a rain jacket or umbrella.

Visitors to Perth should look out for the UV index in local weather reports, which describes the daily solar UV radiation intensity. Protect yourself from sunburn by using SPF30+ sunscreen, which is readily available throughout Australia at supermarkets.

10. Money Matters

The currency used in Australia is the Australian dollar (AUD). One US dollar is approximately 1.40 AUD. There are money changers and money machines (ATMs) in the Perth International Airport as well as in Perth City. Credit cards including Visa, MasterCard, and AMEX are widely accepted.

11. Mobile Phone Connectivity

Local SIM cards can be bought at convenience stores, supermarket or at the airport for calls and internet connectivity. Major providers include Vodafone, Telstra, and Optus – these can be found in the airport arrival hall. Prepaid packages are around \$30-\$50 AUD, with options for high data allowances and international calls.

Alternatively, for phones which are compatible, a pre-paid eSim may be useful to purchase ahead of arrival in Australia, for example these [Optus Prepaid eSIMs](#).

12. Electricity

In Australia, electrical plugs are type I: three flat pins in triangular formation.



13. Other Matters

- For emergencies requiring police, fire, or an ambulance, **call 000**.
- Tap water is safe to drink
- There is no need to tip in Australia

14. Local Contact Details

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