



# Handbook on Data Reporting Under the Montreal Protocol

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This Handbook assists developing and developed countries with providing accurate, comprehensive and timely data as per their specific reporting obligations under the Montreal Protocol to protect the stratospheric ozone layer from the effects of ozone depleting substances (ODS). It helps ozone officers understand and follow the correct data reporting procedures, including those related to Article 7 and Multilateral Fund requirements. The Handbook has been developed by Ecologic.

Data on the production and consumption of ODS are literally the cornerstones that underpin the entire Montreal Protocol process: without reliable and timely data provided by all Parties, decision-makers at the national, regional and international levels could not formulate appropriate control measures, devise realistic phase-out strategies, or provide the necessary financial and technical assistance required by developing countries. The accurate, timely and comprehensive reporting of data has therefore emerged as one of the key issues facing the Protocol today.

The document provides help with identifying a country's reporting obligations, outlines approaches for collecting the necessary data, provides guidance on how to check data for accuracy and consistency, describes "good practice" steps for checking compliance, indicates how and when to provide data to the UNEP Ozone Secretariat and Multilateral Fund Secretariats, lists sources of further information and provides copies of key forms required for data reporting.

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