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LIST 7-11. WEATHER SYMBOLS

Weather symbols are plotted on maps and the information is used by the meteorologist to forecast the weather. With the development of computers and telecommunications, weather symbols have been coded for transmission by telecommunications and decoding on maps. Modern-day meteorologists are spared the chore of plotting all of the symbols and are able to invest their time in interpreting the data to predict the weather and issue any warnings, watches, or advisories necessary.

Some of these symbols can be seen on weather maps displayed on weather reports given over television and published in newspapers.

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SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
∞	Haze		Fog
8	Well-developed dust devils		Fog, patches
	Thunderstorms	13	Heavy thunderstorms with hail
\forall	Squall(s))(Funnel cloud(s)
$\overset{\bullet}{\bigtriangledown}$	Rain showers	• •	Light rain
••	Moderate rain	•	Heavy rain
1 1	Drizzle	~	Freezing rain
\sim	Freezing drizzle	\triangle	Ice pellets, sleet
$\stackrel{\star}{\bigtriangledown}$	Snow flurries	* *	Light snow

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LIST 7-11. (Continued)

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
* **	Moderate snow	* ** *	Heavy snow
	Ice needles		Drifting snow
(L)	Low-pressure center	(H)	High-pressure center
****	Cold front (surface)	***	Warm front (surface)
۸۸۸۸	Cold front (aloft)	مممم	Warm front (aloft)
~~~	Stationary front (surface)		Occluded front (surface)