

CIRCULAR COMMUNICATION TO COMMISSIONERS, CONTRACTING GOVERNMENTS  
AND MEMBERS OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE  
IWC.ALL.110

**IWC/59: delegate arrival, registration and badging procedures and Secretariat contact details**

The following paragraphs provide information on:

- delegate arrival in Anchorage;
- registration and identity badges;
- off-site IWC official receptions;
- contact numbers for the IWC Secretariat in Anchorage.

**ARRIVAL**

When you arrive in Anchorage please proceed to the Hotel Captain Cook or alternate hotels via your own arrangements. There will, however, be help desks, staffed by uniformed 'IWC Welcome Staff', at both the domestic and international terminals who can provide assistance. These help desks will be in place during the following periods:

- 5-7 May;
- 20-22 May;
- 25-27 May.

**REGISTRATION AND IDENTITY BADGES**

For IWC/59, Anchorage, 2007, the style of identity badges issued to attendees will vary from previous IWC Meetings. In addition to the normal information - name, country, organization, etc. - identity badges will bear a photograph of the individual. An outline of the anticipated procedure for registration is given below.

As usual, you will need to register with the Secretariat **before** participating in any of the meetings. Once you have completed this process, you will be directed to the Security Desk/ ID Badge registration room **to have your photo taken** for your ID Badge. You will then be provided with an ID badge which will grant you access to all meeting rooms and office areas during working hours. **You will be required to wear this identification at all times when you wish to enter these areas.** For those of you attending the Commission Plenary, please note that admission to the meeting room will be by the use of an electronic "swipe" card. This will be issued in addition to your photo ID badge.

**As the time needed to issue an ID badge this year will be slightly longer than in the past, please make sure you allow sufficient time for this process.**

**OFFSITE IWC RECEPTIONS:**

There will be the following official IWC receptions:

- Scientific Committee Reception, Monday, 7 May 2007, from 19.00 to 23.00 at the Anchorage Museum of History and Art;
- Commission Plenary Welcome Reception, Monday, 28 May from 19.00 to 23.00 at the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

These receptions will be open to all IWC participants and their accompanying guests. At registration, delegates will be asked to identify guests that they wish to accompany them to the receptions so that the necessary identification cards can be issued. Both the guest and the delegate must wear their identification during the offsite receptions.

**CONTACT NUMBERS FOR THE IWC SECRETARIAT OFFICE AT IWC/59**

From Friday 4 May to Thursday 31 May, the Secretariat's office at the Hotel Captain Cook can be reached at the following numbers:

- Telephone +1-907-343-2423
- Fax +1-907-343-2459

Dr Nicky Grandy  
Secretary to the Commission