

# CryoSat Quality Control: Updated Warning Tests

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## QCC Warnings

All CryoSat parameters and geophysical corrections that are checked are part of the QCC 'warning' tests are listed below. The thresholds provided below will be applied to the new Baseline-C Ice data and the current Baseline-B Ocean data. If the value of a field exceeds the threshold the QCC product is flagged with a warning. The QCC software was developed by S[&T]. In the column 'QCC Test Name' FD = field depth, OP = Ocean Products and SF = surface flag. These were added so the software can differentiate between different product field types.

QCC Test Name	Test applied to	Fields Tested	Test thresholds	1 Hz or 20 Hz
BurstCounterStepTOD	L1 FDM, LRM, SAR, SIN, IOP and GOP	Burst Counter	$n = (n-1) + 1$ or blank block = 1	20 Hz
FileNameCheckDBL	All L1, L2 and L2I MPH	PRODUCT and product filename	= product filename	n/a
FileNameCheckHDR	All L1, L2 and L2I Fixed Header	FILE_NAME and product filename	= product filename	n/a
MPHRefDocL1	L1 LRM, SAR, SIN, FDM MPH	REF_DDC	= CS-RS-ACS-GS-5106.00.00	n/a
MPHRefDocL2	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR, FDM MPH	REF_DDC	= CS-RS-ACS-GS-5123.04.00	n/a
MPHRefDocOP1	L1 IOP and GOP MPH	REF_DDC	= C2-RS-ACS-ESL-5213.1.4	n/a
MPHRefDocOP2	L2 IOP and GOP MPH	REF_DDC	= C2-RS-ACS-ESL-5213.1.00	n/a
MissingValueShortInt	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Dry Tropospheric Correction, Wet Tropospheric Correction, Ionospheric Correction, Sea State Bias Correction, Elastic Ocean Tide, Long Period Ocean Tide, Ocean Loading Tide, Solid Earth Tide, Geocentric Pole Tide and Backscatter (Retracker 1)	= 32767	1 Hz (apart from Backscatter which is 20 Hz)
MissingValueShortIntOcean	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Dynamic Atmospheric Correction	= 32767	1 Hz
		Backscatter (Retracker 2) and Backscatter (Retracker 3)	= 32767	20 Hz
		Inverse Barometric Correction	= 32767	1 Hz
		Dry Tropospheric Correction, Wet Tropospheric correction, Inverse Barometer correction, Ionospheric Correction, Sea State Bias correction, Corrected averaged OCOG backscatter coefficient, Total ocean tide (solution 2), Long period ocean tide, Ocean loading tide (solution 2), Solid earth tide height, Geocentric pole tide height and Corrected averaged ocean backscatter coefficient	= 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
MissingValueShortIntOceanFD2	L2 IOP and GOP	Dry Tropospheric Correction, Wet Tropospheric Correction, Inverse Barometric Correction, Dynamic Atmospheric Correction, GIM Ionospheric correction, Sea State Bias correction, Ocean backscatter coefficient (corrected), ice backscatter coefficient (corrected), Total geocentric ocean tide height (Solution 1: GOT), Total geocentric ocean tide height (Solution 2: FES), Long Period Tide Height, Non eq. long period ocean tide height, Ocean Loading Tide (Solution 1: GOT), Ocean Loading Tide (Solution 2: FES), Solid Earth Tide and Geocentric Pole Tide	= 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
		OCOG backscatter coefficient and ocean backscatter coefficient	= 32767 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
QualityFlag	All L1, L2 and L2I MPH	PRODUCT_ERR	= 0	n/a
		L0_PROC_FLAG, L0_GAPS_FLAG and L18_PROC_FLAG	= 0	n/a
RangeAGCOcean	L1 and L2 IOP and GOP	L1_PROC_FLAG and L2_PROC_FLAG	= 0	n/a
		AGC (corrected)	0 to 6200 dB/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeAGCOceanFD3	L1 IOP and GOP	AGC (corrected)	0 to 6200 dB/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeAGCOFlagged	L1 LRM, SAR, SIN	AGC Channel 1 (corrected) and AGC Channel 2 (corrected)	0 to 6200 dB/100 or AGC Inconsistency flag = 1	20 Hz
RangeAGCOFlaggedOceanFD3	L1 FDM	AGC Channel 1 (corrected) and AGC Channel 2 (corrected)	0 to 6200 dB/100 or AGC Inconsistency flag = 1 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeAltitudeCOG	L1, L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Altitude of COG above reference ellipsoid	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 0	1 Hz
RangeAltitudeCOGOcean	L1 and L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Altitude of COG above reference ellipsoid	710000000 to 7600000000 mm for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeAltitudeCOGOceanFD2	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Altitude of COG above reference ellipsoid	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 0 or = 2147483647 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeAltitudeCOGOBlank	L1 LRM, SAR, SIN	Altitude of COG above reference ellipsoid	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or blank block = 1	20 Hz
RangeAltitudeCOGOBlankOceanFD3	L1 FDM, IOP, GOP	Altitude of COG above reference ellipsoid	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or blank block = 1 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroOPOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	Ice backscatter coefficient and Ocean backscatter coefficient	700 to 7500 dB/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroOPOceanFD2	L2 IOP and GOP	Ice backscatter coefficient and Ocean backscatter coefficient	700 to 7500 dB/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroOcean	L2 FDM	Corrected averaged OCOG backscatter coefficient	700 to 3000 dB/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroOceanFD2	L2 FDM	Ocean backscatter coefficient and OCOG backscatter coefficient	700 to 3000 dB/100 or = 32767 or = 0 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroTrkr1	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Backscatter (sigma0) (retracker 1: LRM - Ocean CF1 model fit retracker, SAR - Laxon/Ridout Sea-ice model fit retracker and SIN - Wingham/Wallis model fit retracker)	-2500 to 6000 dB/100 or = 32767; Only flag products if more than 10% of items are outside the thresholds	20 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroTrkr2	L2 LRM, GDR	Backscatter (sigma0) (retracker 2: UCL Land-ice retracker)	-2500 to 6000 dB/100 or = 32767; Only flag products if more than 10% of items are outside the thresholds	20 Hz
RangeBackscatterSigmaZeroTrkr3	L2 LRM, GDR	Backscatter (sigma0) (retracker 3: OCOG retracker)	-2500 to 6000 dB/100 or = 32767; Only flag products if more than 10% of items are outside the thresholds	20 Hz
RangeCoherence	L1 SIN	Coherence	0 to 1000 dB/1000	20 Hz
RangeDeltaTime	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Delta Time	0 to 1E6 microseconds; Only flag products if more than 10% of items are outside the thresholds	20 Hz
RangeDryTroposphericCorrection	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Dry Tropospheric Correction	-2500 to -1000 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeDryTroposphericCorrectionOcean	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Dry Tropospheric Correction	-2500 to -1000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeDynamicAtmosphericCorrectionOcean	L2I LRM, SIN, L2 IOP, GOP	Dynamic Atmospheric Correction	-1050 to 1000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeDynamicAtmosphericCorrectionOceanSF20Hz	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Dynamic Atmospheric Correction	-1050 to 1000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeEchoesBeamsAveraged	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Number of Echoes or Beams averaged	30 to 280; Only flag products if more than 10% of items are outside the thresholds	20 Hz
RangeEchoesBeamsAveragedOceanFD3	L1 IOP and GOP	Number of echoes averaged	91 to 256 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeEquilibriumOceanTideOcean	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, L2 FDM	Long Period Ocean Tide	-50 to 50 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeEquilibriumOceanTideOceanSF20Hz	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Long Period Ocean Tide	-50 to 50 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeFreeboardOceanFD3SF20Hz	L2 SAR, GDR	Freeboard	-500 to 5000 mm or = 4294967295 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeGeocentricPolarTide	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Geocentric Polar Tide	-20 to 20 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeGeocentricPolarTideOcean	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Geocentric Polar Tide	-20 to 20 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeIceRangeToOceanSurfaceOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	Ice range to ocean surface (corrected)	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 4294967295 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeIceRangeToOceanSurfaceOceanFD2	L2 IOP and GOP	Ice range to ocean surface (corrected)	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 4294967295 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangeInverseBarometricCorrectionOcean	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP, L2I SAR	Inverse Barometric Correction	-2000 to 2000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeInverseBarometricCorrectionOceanSF20Hz	L2 SAR, GDR	Inverse Barometric Correction	-2000 to 2000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeIonosphericCorrection	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Ionospheric Correction	-400 to 40 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeIonosphericCorrectionOcean	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN	GIM Ionospheric Correction and Model Ionospheric Correction	-400 to 40 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeLongPeriodTideOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	Ionospheric Correction	-400 to 40 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeMSSGeoidHeight	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Long Period Tide Height	-50 to 50 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeMSSGeoidHeightOPOcean	L2I LRM, SAR, SIN	MSS/Geoid from Model	-150000 to 150000 mm or = -2147483648 or = 2147483647	1 Hz
RangeMSSGeoidHeightOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	MSS from model and Geoid from model	-150000 to 150000 mm or = -2147483648 or = 2147483647	1 Hz
RangeNELPOceanTideOcean	L2 FDM	Mean Sea Surface height (Solution 1), Mean Sea Surface height (Solution 2) and Geoid height	-106000 to 880000 mm or = -2147483648 or = 2147483647 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeOceanLoadingTide	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Mean Sea Surface height (MSS) and Geoid from standard model	-150000 to 150000 mm or = -2147483648 or = 2147483647 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeOceanLoadingTideOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	Non-equilibrium long period ocean tide height	-40 to 40 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeOceanRangeToOceanSurfaceOcean	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Ocean Loading Tide	-100 to 100 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeOceanRangeToOceanSurfaceOceanFD2	L2 FDM	Ocean Loading Tide (solution 2)	-100 to 100 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeOceanTideOcean	L2 IOP and GOP	Ocean Loading Tide: GOT and Ocean Loading Tide: FES	-100 to 100 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeOceanTideOceanSF20Hz	L2 IOP and GOP	Ocean range to ocean surface (corrected)	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 4294967295 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangePeakinessFDM	L2 IOP and GOP	Ocean range to ocean surface (corrected)	710000000 to 7600000000 mm or = 4294967295 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangePeakinessRM	L2 FDM	Total ocean tide (solution 2)	-10000 to 10000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangePeakinessOP	L2I LRM, SAR, SIN	Elastic Ocean Tide	-10000 to 10000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangePeakinessOPFD2	L2 IOP and GOP	Total Geocentric Ocean Tide: GOT and Total Geocentric Ocean Tide: FES	-10000 to 10000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangePeakinessSAR	L2 SAR, GDR	Elastic Ocean Tide	-10000 to 10000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangePeakinessSIN	L2 SIN	Ku-band peakiness	0 to 6400/100 or = 65535 for surface type = 0 or 2	20 Hz
RangePhaseCorrectionExternal	L2 LRM	Peakiness	0 to 6400/100 or = 65535 for surface type = 0 or 2	20 Hz
RangePhaseCorrectionInternal	L2 IOP and GOP	Peakiness	0 to 6400/100 or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
RangePhaseDifference	L2 SAR, GDR	Peakiness	0 to 66000/100 for surface type = 0 or 2	20 Hz
RangeSeaStateBiasCorrectionOcean	L2 SIN	External Phase Correction	0 to 21000/100 or = 65535 for surface type = 0 or 2	20 Hz
RangeSeaStateBiasCorrectionOceanSF20Hz	L2 SIN	Internal Phase Correction	0 to 21000/100 or = 65535 for surface type = 0 or 2	20 Hz
RangeSeaSurfaceHeightAnomaly	L2 LRM, IOP, GOP	Phase difference	1438000 to 1473000 microradians or = 0	20 Hz
RangeSignificantWaveHeightOcean	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Sea State Bias correction	-3141593 to 3141593 microradians	20 Hz
RangeSignificantWaveHeightOceanFD2	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Sea State Bias correction	-500 to 0 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeSnowDepth	L2 SAR, GDR	Sea State Bias correction	-500 to 0 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeSolidEarthTide	L2 SAR, GDR	Interpolated Sea Surface Height Anomaly	-3000 to 3000 mm	20 Hz
RangeSolidEarthTideOcean	L2I SAR	Surface Height Anomaly and Interpolated Sea Surface Height Anomaly	-3000 to 3000 mm	1 Hz
RangeSurfaceHeight	L2 IOP and GOP	Significant Wave Height	0 to 15000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeTotalFixedGain	L2 IOP and GOP	Snow Depth	0 to 15000 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeTotalFixedGainOceanFD3	L2 and L2I SAR	Snow Depth	above 60N = 0 to 520 mm	1 Hz
RangeWetTroposphericCorrection	L2 and L2I LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Solid Earth Tide	-500 to 500 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
RangeWindowDelay	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN	Solid Earth Tide	-500 to 500 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
RangeWindowDelayOceanFD3	L2 FDM, IOP, GOP	Height of surface w.r.t. reference ellipsoid (retracker 1)	-430000 to 8800000 mm	20 Hz
RecordCountMDSR	L2 LRM, SAR, SIN, GDR	Height of surface w.r.t. reference ellipsoid (retracker 2) and Height of surface w.r.t. reference ellipsoid (retracker 3)	-430000 to 8800000 mm	20 Hz
SequenceCounterStepTOD	L1 LRM, FDM, IOP, GOP	Total Fixed Gain Rx 1 and Total Fixed Gain Rx 2	= 3500 dB/100	20 Hz
		Total Fixed Gain Rx 1 and Total Fixed Gain Rx 2	= 3500 dB/100 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
		Wet Tropospheric Correction	-500 to 0 mm or = 32767	1 Hz
		Wet Tropospheric Correction	-500 to 0 mm or = 32767 for surface type = 0 only	1 Hz
		Window Delay (2 way) corrected for instrument delays	4.669E9 to 5.1035E9 10 <sup>-12</sup> or = 0	20 Hz
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		Window Delay (2 way) corrected for instrument delays	4.669E9 to 5.1035E9 10 <sup>-12</sup> or = 0 for surface type = 0 only	20 Hz
		Record Counter	$n = (n-1) + 1$ or = 0	1 Hz
		Source Sequence Counter	$n = (n-1) + 1$ or blank block = 1	20 Hz