

Telescope Shutdown check List

- Turn Off tracking and any bias rates that are enabled.
- Stow the telescope.
- Stow the Dome by aligning arrows on east wall.
- Disable the telescope.
- Close mirror covers on telescope and any finderscopes used.
- Close dome shutter.
- Raise the lower windscreen until it's fully extended.
- Lower the upper windscreen until it overlaps the lower windscreen by one panel
- Lower the observing platform all the way down
- Fill the dewar if needed.
- Bolt catwalk door.
- Fill out and send trouble report.
- Check Weather forecast for the next day. If ANY chance of thunderstorms/lightning put observatory in lightning shutdown.
- Make sure stove/oven are off and fridge is closed.
- Make sure recliner in control room is not directly in front of the heater.
- In the winter make sure heater is on and set to 3.5.
- Turn off all lights.
- Make sure front door is locked.
- Set dome alarm.
- Double check front door is locked after walking out.

M4K Users

- If not putting the telescope in lightning shutdown, please leave the Azcam program up and running! Shutting this window prevents the camera from stabilizing and decreases data quality for the next observer.

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