

# Wildlife Computers Data Portal and Kineis Data Integration Quick Guide

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This quick guide will give you the essential information needed to import Kineis data into the Wildlife Computers Data Portal.

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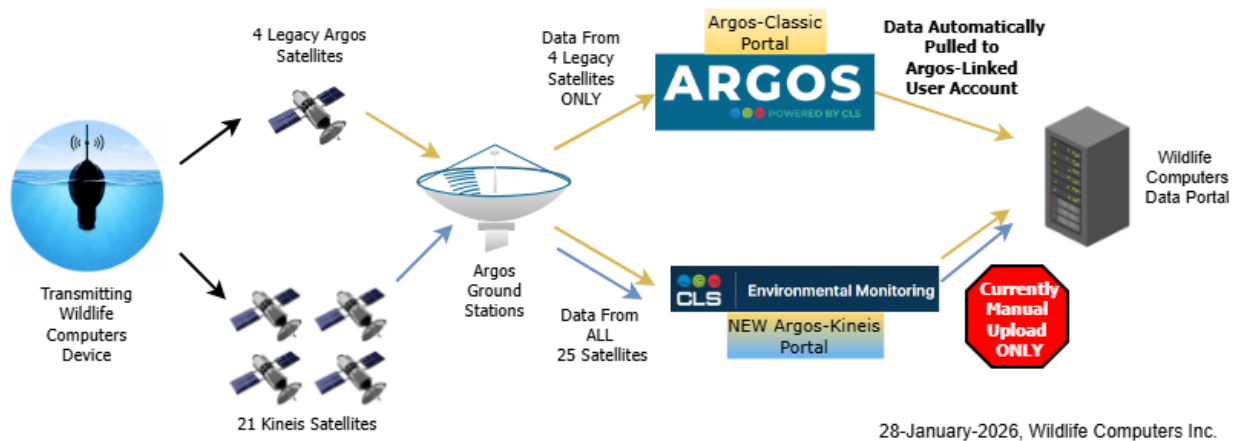


## Before you Begin

With the launch of the Kineis satellite constellation, additional satellites now carry operational Argos receivers. This expanded network enables Kineis to use an innovative approach for calculating Doppler locations by leveraging receptions from multiple satellites.

Wildlife Computers is collaborating with CLS to deliver a seamless integration between Kineis and the Wildlife Computers Data Portal, but that functionality is not yet available. As we continue working with CLS to provide a fully integrated experience, we'll keep you informed about any updates to the process. In the meantime, please use this quick guide to manually upload your data.

## Receiving Your Argos Data



The information contained in this guide is designed to help you integrate your data into the Wildlife Computers Data Portal (the Portal). In the guide, you will see the yellow icon highlighting information where special attention should be paid.

## Contact Information

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## The Three Portals

1. [Wildlife Computers Data Portal](#) (Portal)—for decoding and downloading Wildlife Computers tag data.
2. [CLS Environmental and Climate Portal](#) (Argos-Kineis portal)—for accessing Kineis and Argos satellite data.
3. [CLS Argos Web](#)—legacy system for Argos satellite telemetry.



## Critical Notes and Summary

- **Ensure you have login credentials** for each portal before proceeding.
- **Manually import Kineis data after deployment ends and/or tag stops transmitting.** If your device is still transmitting, you will need to repeatedly import new Kineis data each time the tag transmits.
- **Follow each of the steps carefully.** Performing steps out of order may cause issues and result in repeating the steps over again.

Argos-Kineis portal:

1. You must **allow pop-ups** to download files.
2. For the Portal to accept your data, you must **set the account language to English** in the Argos-Kineis portal.
3. Click **“Access the Services.”**
4. Click **“Data.”**
5. Use **Filter** to set the lookback period (from 1 July 2025 or later).
6. Select **one Device ID (PTT)** at a time.
7. **Limit exports to ~5,000 messages** (up to 10,000 possible but that many may fail).
8. Click **“Messages”** and **“Manage.”** Ensure all 28 columns are selected every time. Failure to do so will result in errors.
9. Export as **‘.csv (comma separator).’**

The Portal:

1. **Import data in chronological order** and refer to [Portal and Tag Agent User Guide](#) before contacting your technical sales consultant.

## Three Portals – A Deeper Look

There are three portals to become familiar with. The first two are referenced in this guide and you must have login credentials for each before you can continue.

- [Wildlife Computers Data Portal](#)—referenced in this guide as the Portal. If you purchase Wildlife Computers tags, you must have a Portal account for location and data product decoding and downloading. The Portal is a collection of data management tools and services. Developed specifically for the display and investigation of data from Wildlife Computers tags, the Portal streamlines the processes of acquiring, preserving, and sharing data services. The Portal helps collect, prepare, and analyze the data returned from the tag—either via Argos or the archive. Data are easily sorted, filtered, searched, uploaded, and shared. You can see a Google Earth display of your deployment track, color-coded to show the relative age of each location. You can also set up a live KMZ to get data into your own monitoring system.
- [CLS Environmental and Climate Portal](#)—referenced in this guide as the Argos-Kineis portal. This portal is operated by CLS and provides direct access to Kineis and Argos satellite data. The Argos-Kineis portal provides raw data collected via the Kineis nanosatellite constellation. Users can download data files for manual upload into the Portal. They can offer API connectivity for advanced integrations.
- [Argos Web](#)—this is the legacy system for Argos satellite telemetry and environmental monitoring.

With the launch of the Kineis satellite array (available 1 October 2025), there are additional steps required to access data from this new system. To help guide users through this transition, Wildlife Computers informally refers to the following:

- Argos-Classic—the original array of six Argos satellites.
- Argos-Kineis—the new Kinéis array of 20 satellites.



***These terms are used by Wildlife Computers for clarity and are NOT official designations.***

## Accessing Argos-Classic Data in the Portal

To access Argos-Classic data in the Portal you will need to do the following:

- Use the **Username and Password** provided by Argos when you set up your original program. These are the same credentials you use to log in to the [Argos Web](#)).
- Add these credentials to your [Wildlife Computers Data Portal](#) account.



- Follow the instructions for “Creating a Portal Account and Linking your Argos Account” in the [Portal and Tag Agent User Guide](#).
- Once synced, the data from the Argos-Classic array of five satellites will be **automatically decoded** for easy access and download.

## Accessing New Argos-Kineis Data from the Argos-Kinéis Portal

**IMPORTANT**—*a manual import of Kineis data should be performed once the deployment has ended and the tag has STOPPED transmitting. If your device is still transmitting, you will need to repeatedly import new Kineis data each time the tag transmits. If you are actively looking for your device (e.g. tag recovery), you should import the latest data from Kineis into the Portal each time you want a new location.*




**CRITICAL**—*your account must be set to English before you download any files.*

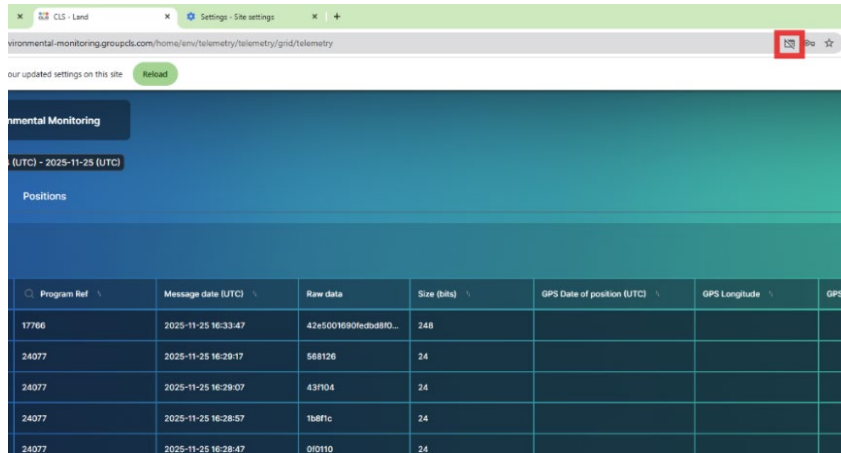
**CRITICAL**—*you must disable any pop-up blockers and allow pop-ups before downloading any files.*

Follow these steps carefully. Performing the steps out of order may cause issues and result in repeating them again.

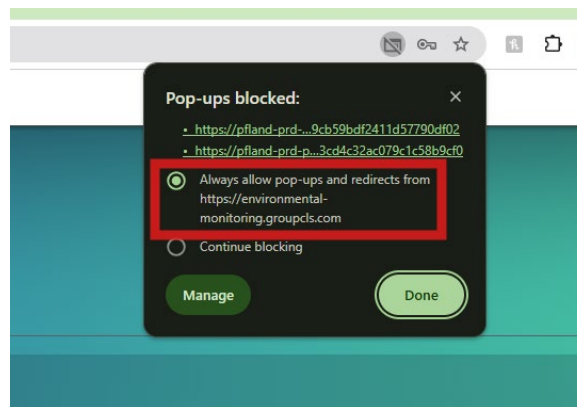
To access Argos-Kineis data in the CLS Environmental and Climate Portal, you will need to do the following:

1. **Click the link** for the [Argos-Kinéis portal](#).
  1. First time users will need to get a new password assigned.
  2. Click on the “person” icon in the top right corner, click “Login” and then “Forgot Password” link.
  3. Enter the email address associated with your Argos account and click “Reset Password.”
  4. Check your inbox and follow the instructions on how to create a new password for the new Argos-Kineis portal.
2. **Sign in using your username and new password.** Click on “Access the services” option in the telemetry box.
3. **Adjust your pop-up blockers.** For the download to go through, pop-ups for site need to be allowed. Pop-ups are blocked by default.
  1. If the pop-ups were not blocked, proceed to the next step.
  2. If pop-ups are blocked, and you are using the Chrome browser, you will notice this icon  will appear when trying to download.

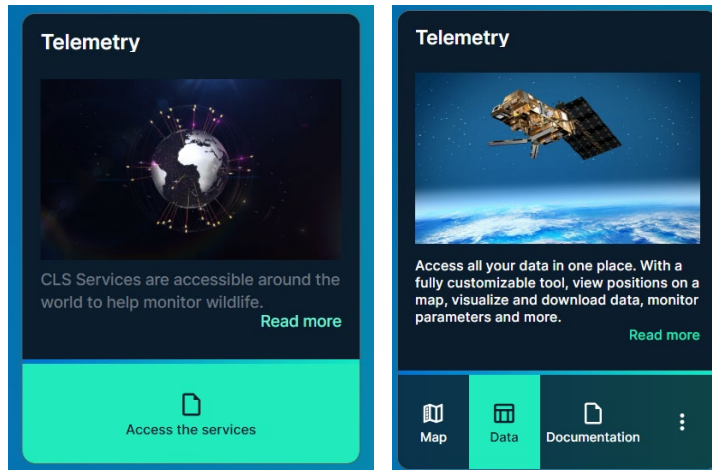
You must manually click on the icon in the address bar window to open the dialog box to display the radio buttons. Adjust your pop-up blockers. For the download to go through, pop-ups for site need to be allowed. Pop-ups are blocked by default.



3. Select "Always allow pop-ups and redirects from..." to proceed.



4. Click on the “Access the services” option in the telemetry box. Click on “Data.”



5. Select the **Filter** icon and decide the following:
- Lookback period (UTC): Kineis has data back to 1 July 2025.
  - Device ID: **Select exactly one Device ID (PTT) to export.** Failure to do so may result in too many messages and the download could fail. We recommend exporting no more than 5,000 messages to start. We have exported up to 10,000 messages in the requested date range but it regularly fails.
    - If a single PTT has more than 10,000 messages, you will need to export more than one dataset. Do this by changing your date range to truncate the data to fit under the 10,000 message restriction.
    - IMPORTANT—data must be imported in chronological order for the Portal to correctly combine the data into one deployment row. It is ok if date ranges overlap.**
  - Leave the Location Accuracy section unchanged** since you want to import all the data into the Portal for data decoding.

d. Click "Apply."

The screenshot shows the 'Environmental Monitoring' interface. At the top, there is a header with the 'CLS' logo and the text 'Environmental Monitoring'. Below the header, there is a date range selector showing '2025-11-25 (UTC) - 2025-11-26 (UTC)'. A filter icon is highlighted with a red box and a blue circle containing the number '1'. Below this is a 'Filters' panel with a close button (X) and two buttons: 'Reset filters' and 'Collapse All'. The 'Filters' panel contains a section titled 'What period do you want to work on? (UTC)'. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: 'Custom', '1 Day', '1 Month', '7 Days', and 'Custom' (highlighted in green). A red box highlights the 'Custom' option with a blue circle containing the number '3'. A blue circle containing the number '2' is next to the 'Custom' option. To the right of the dropdown are two date input fields, each labeled 'Adjust'. A red box highlights both input fields with a blue circle containing the number '4' and another blue circle containing the number '5'. Below the date input fields is a text input field with the placeholder text 'Paste a list of device IDs'. Below this is a 'Devices ID' section with a search input field containing the placeholder text 'Search or copy and paste a list of device IDs'. A red box highlights the search input field. Below the search input field is a note: '50 ID max - Allowed separator , and ;'.



When you select a custom date, you may notice it is slightly different from the actual date selected. The filter defaults to the closest date and time stamp from the data in the Argos-Kinéis portal. *Note: you cannot change the time, only the date.*

Here is an example of filled in custom search fields:

When typing in the unique “Devices ID,” you must hit the “Enter” key after entering the ID or choosing the Device ID from the dropdown list as you start typing. Failure to do so will result in no IDs being selected.

7. Choose **Messages** on the top left and then click Manage on the top right.

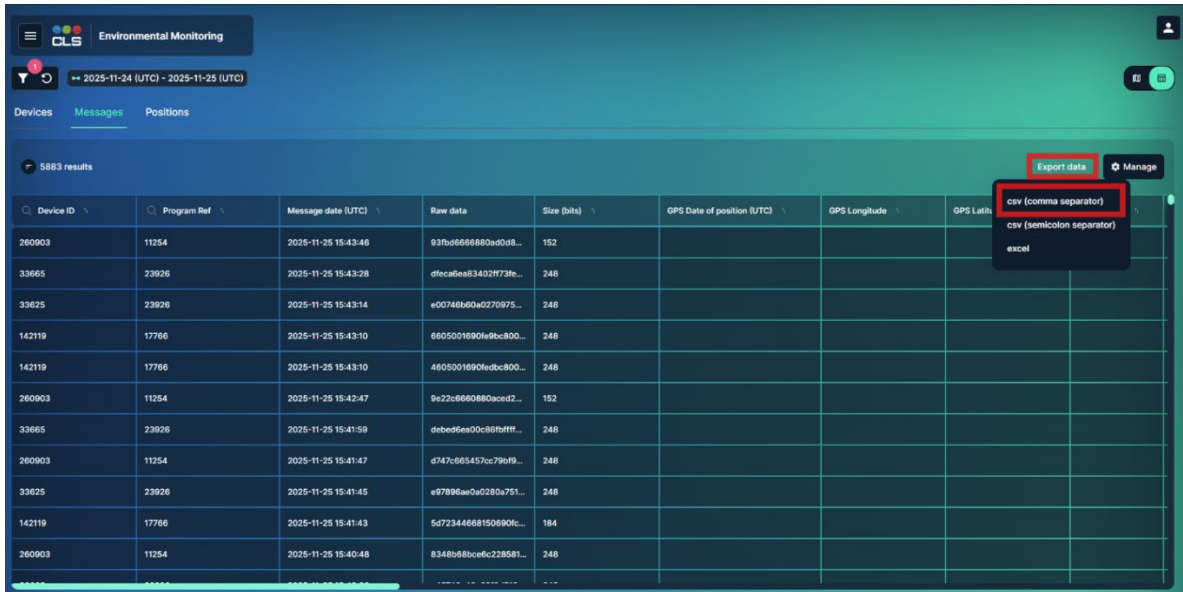
Device ID	Program Ref	Message date (UTC)	Raw data	Size (bits)	GPS Date of position (UTC)	GPS Longitude	GPS Latitude	Sensors
142115	17786	2025-11-26 19:38:04	44b0b446680ed8944...	184				SENSOR #1=88 , SE
142119	17786	2025-11-26 19:35:08	45d0b44668150690fd...	184				SENSOR #1=89 , SE
142119	17786	2025-11-26 19:35:08	45d0b44668150690fd...	184				SENSOR #1=89 , SE
142119	17786	2025-11-26 19:35:08	45d0b44668150690fd...	184				SENSOR #1=89 , SE
142115	17786	2025-11-26 19:34:39	5845001694061fd1fa0...	248				SENSOR #1=88 , SE
142115	17786	2025-11-26 19:33:12	4480b466600cd7b14...	184				SENSOR #1=88 , SE

8. **Select everything** (the default selection is a subset, but all line items must be selected) and click **Close**.



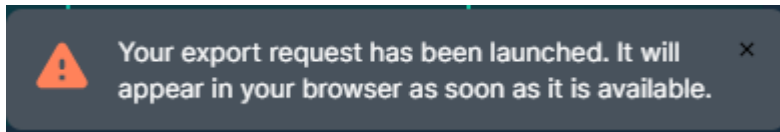
**All columns must be turned on for all downloads. Failure to do so will result in errors when uploading data to the Wildlife Computers Data Portal.**

9. Click **Export Data** and choose **' .csv (comma separator) .'**



**To save time, start the download process before you see data populated in the table above. For large datasets with several thousand entries, the data can take many minutes to populate.**

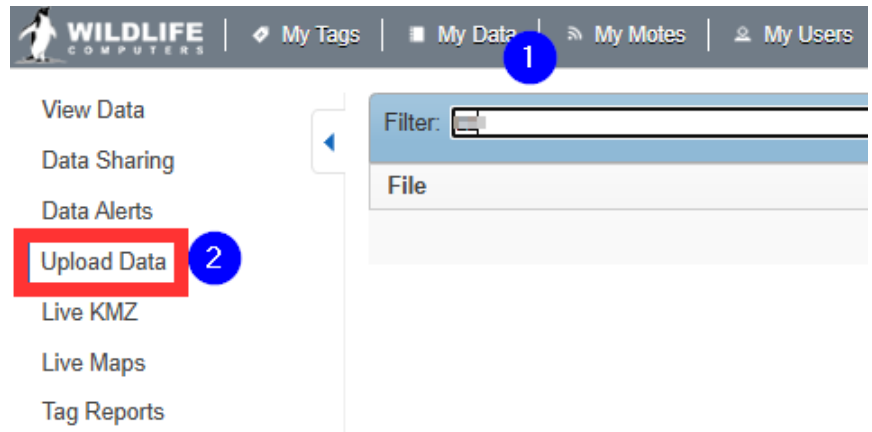
10. You will see the following prompt.



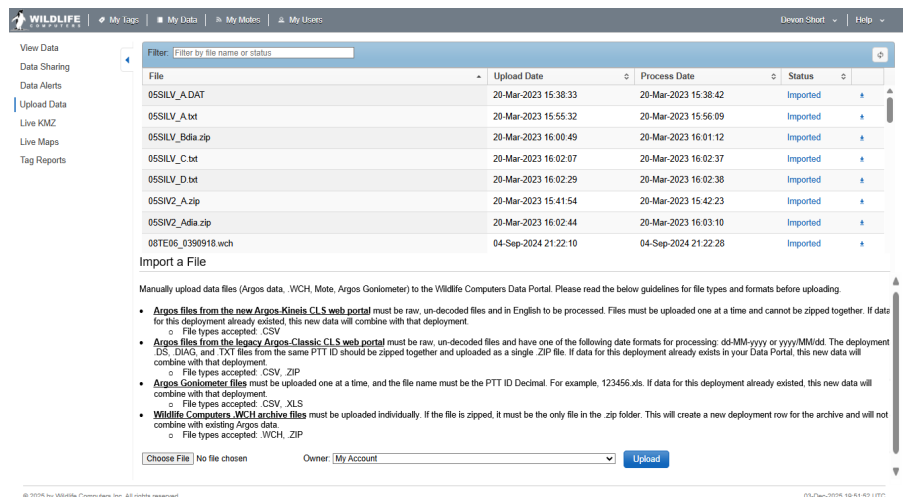
11. Requests can take a few minutes to start downloading, but after a short wait, your browser should have downloaded your .csv file. These data can now be imported into your Portal account.

# Argos-Kinéis Portal Manual Integration and Upload

1. **Login** to your [Wildlife Computers Data Portal](#).
2. Click on **Upload Data** (far left on the screen) and follow the instructions for uploading data in the [Portal and Tag Agent User Guide](#).



3. Click **Choose File** and select the .csv file you just exported from the Argos-Kineis portal. By default, this file is downloaded to your Downloads folder in Windows.



4. Select **your email address** (or a collaborator) as the "Owner."
5. Click **Upload**.
6. You will receive a notification in the Portal that the file uploaded successfully. Note that the status column will show "Pending."
7. The data owner will be notified by email from Wildlife Computers when the data has been successfully processed.
8. If the data upload is unsuccessful, check the error code. Typically, failures are due to the Kineis download settings reverting to their default.

## Post-Download: Output File Updates

Before you review your downloaded output files from the Portal, here are some important changes you will see.

1. The All.csv will contain messages from the Argos-Classic and Argos-Kineis.
  - a. The Loc. Type column will say **Kineis** or **Argos**.
2. The Locations.csv will contain locations from Argos-Classic and Argos-Kineis.
  - a. The Type column will say **Kineis** or **Argos**.
3. The .kmz that is included in the normal download will include an Argos-Classic and Argos-Kineis track.
  - a. The default is for both tracks to be selected upon opening but one or the other can be deselected.
4. The Summary tab in the Portal will **include stats from the combined datasets**.

## Contacting Wildlife Computers

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