Quick Tips for GPS

Note: In the directions below, > = Enter or clicking straight down on the toggle

Initial GPS Intro Points

- Put Batteries In
- Key Functions (hand-out) – Practice with Toggle - down is Enter
- Run through Major Screens
- Double Click Menu brings you to the Main Menu
- Quit/ Page always backs you up
- Accuracy is on the Satellites Page
- Backlight & Battery power how to see

Skills

- **Play with the toggle stick**. It is tricky. Note the two sounds that it makes for when something works and when it doesn't work.

- **Check to see that the GPS is in proper Coordinates System**: UTMs NAD83
  Main Menu > Set Up > Units
  Note: If you have a waypoint in the GPS before switching units, the waypoint's data will change to the new coordinates system.

- **Mark a Point** -
  On Map Page, Press down on Toggle OR go to Main Menu > Mark
  This will mark a point at your current location (the black triangle)
  The Default is sequential numbers. This is helpful when recording a lot of data like on a Snake River Float

- **Changing Information on the Point Display**
  Highlight Field > Hit enter with Toggle > move through characters as needed
  Note that up arrow changes to number format
  Save the waypoint

- **Find a Waypoint**
  Main Menu > Find > Waypoints > Toggle to desired waypoint > Enter > Map
  Note Delete button at the bottom of the saved waypoint screen
  Go To Function
  Main Menu > Find > Waypoints > Toggle to desired waypoint > Enter > Go To

- **Delete all waypoints**
  Main Menu > Find > Waypoints > Menu button > Delete > All Symbols > Yes Delete All

- **Get the UTM for the Map Pointer (white arrow) not your current location (black triangle)**
  Easy Way - Map Page > Use the Toggle to move away from your current location and to the location that you would like the UTM for > Note that a white information bar has appeared at the top, these UTMs are for the Map Pointer location. On the right hand side of this box there is also a notation for the distance and general direction that the map

pointer is away from the current location. Write down the UTMs from the white box.

Trickier Method – You should also be able to save the waypoints for your map pointer location. However, this is tricky and if you try to use it, you *must* be careful to check that the UTMs saved are actually those of the map pointer and not of your current location. Here goes: Once you've moved the map pointer to its new location, give the toggle a quick hit.
If there is map information at that point, this will bring up a screen with something like "Teton National Forest" at the top and Save, Map or Go To at the bottom. Choose save. This will bring up a Waypoint information screen where you can edit the information as above. Waypoints where there is map information will be automatically numbered using the map info descriptor (e.g. Teton National, Teton National 1, etc).

If there is not any map information at the location where you put your map pointer, then a message will appear telling you this and asking if you would like to put a waypoint there. Hit yes and save waypoints as above. Without map information at that location, the waypoints will be entered in the normal sequential order (e.g. 001, 002, 003, etc.)

Enter/ Rocker is the same as the Toggle

GETTING STARTED

Key Functions

ENTER/ROCKER key

Rock up or down or right or left to move through lists; highlight fields, on-screen buttons, or icons; enter data; or move the map panning arrow.

IN/OUT Zoom keys

From the Map page, press to zoom the map in or out.

From any other page, press to scroll up or down a list or move a high-lighted slider.

Press in and release to enter highlighted options and data or confirm on-screen messages.

Press in and hold at any time to MARK your current location as a waypoint.

MENU/FIND key

Press and release to view the Options Menu for a page.

Press and hold to display the Find Menu.

QUIT/PAGE key

Press to cycle through the main pages.

Press and hold to turn the compass on or off (Vista HCx and Summit HC only).

POWER key

Press and hold to turn on or off.

Press and release for backlighting or to view time, date, and battery capacity.

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