

Operation of Global Positioning System (GPS)

PURPOSE:

To determine exact latitude and longitude positioning for Air Rescue or any other related incident.

SCOPE:

Any call for Air Rescue could include the specific latitude and longitude of the incident location. The latitude and longitude of a given location can be determined through the use of the GPS. The operating instructions for the Garmin GPS are as follows:

1. Hold the red ON/OFF button down for 2 (two) seconds to power on.
2. Watch display as GPS initializes and acquires a fix.
3. Vertical bars represent the signal strength from each satellite.
4. Three satellite signals are necessary to acquire a fix.
5. Move to an open area with a clear view of the sky, if necessary.
6. Latitude and longitude of current location are displayed automatically when GPS has acquired a fix.
7. Hold the red ON/OFF button down for 3 (three) seconds to power off.

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