

The GTN 6XX lets you create up to 99 different flight plans, with up to 100 waypoints in each flight plan. The Flight Plan function is accessed by touching the Flight Plan key on the Home page. The Flight Plan function allows you to create, store, edit, and copy flight plans.



Figure 4-1 Flight Plan Functional Diagram



**NOTE:** Navigation is provided for fixed wing aircraft above 30 kts and for rotorcraft above 10 kts.

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Com/Nav	1. From the Home page, touch <b>Flight Plan</b> .
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Wpt Info	Back Figure 4-2 Create New Flight Plan
Мар	2. If there is already an Active Flight Plan, touch <b>Menu</b> and then
Traffic	the <b>Delete</b> and <b>OK</b> keys to delete the existing active flight plan.
Terrain	Com Vol Flight Plan Menu Psh Sq Store Delete Touch To Delete
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## 4.2 Active Flight Plan Page

The Active Flight Plan Page provides information and editing functions for the flight plan currently in use for navigation. Once you have activated a flight plan, the Active Flight Plan Page shows each waypoint for the flight plan, along with the Desired Track (DTK), Distance (DIST) for each leg and Cumulative Distance (CUM). The data fields are user-selectable and may be changed to display Cumulative Distance (CUM), Distance (DIST), Desired Track (DTK), En Route Safe Altitude (ESA), or Estimated Time of Arrival (ETA).

FPL	DTK Between Legs * -			
Direct-To	DIST Between Legs * -			
	Origin and Destination Waypoints —	Com Vol KSLE / KPUC	DTK / DIS	
Proc	Flight Plan Menu Options—	KDLS –P 4 Columbia Gorge Regl T	°	134.27 STBY
	Active Leg Navigation —	KBKE -P 4	094°	122.80 XPDR1 STBY
Wpt Info	Parallel Track Active —	MSG Baker City Mun KTWF P Back Joslin Fld Magic Valley	29.8NM 118° 202NM	1200
map	Up/Down Keys to Scroll FPL -			

#### Figure 4-7 Active Flight Plan Page

\* The field types may be changed using the Edit Data Fields function in the Flight Plan page Menu.

## 4.2.1 Waypoint Options

 While viewing the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired flight plan waypoint. The Waypoint Options window will be shown.



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## 4.2.1.2 Insert Before

The Insert Before option allows you to insert a new waypoint into the active flight plan before the selected waypoint.

1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will be displayed.

Com/Nav FPL Direct-To	Option Will Insert New Waypoint Before This Selected Flight Plan Waypoint
FIOC	Figure 4-11 Active Flight Plan Insert Waypoint Before Option
Wpt Info	<b>Insert</b> Before 2. Touch the <b>Insert Before</b> key to select a new waypoint before the selected waypoint.
Мар	3. Select a waypoint identifier with the alphanumeric keypad.
Traffic	Choose New Waypoint
Terrain	Selected Flight Plan Waypoint ALT
Weather	MSG ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPORSTUVWXYZ0123456789 Enter
Nearest	Figure 4-12 Use the Alphanumeric Keypad to Select Waypoint to Insert Before
Services/ Music	4. Then, touch <b>Enter</b> to confirm the selection or touch <b>Cancel</b> to cancel any changes. The new flight plan will be shown.
Utilities	Com Vol Psh Sa
System	New Waypoint Inserted
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Figure 4-14 Flight Plan Before and After New Waypoint Inserted

## 4.2.1.3 Insert After

The Insert After option allows you to insert a new waypoint into the active flight plan after the selected waypoint.

- 1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will be displayed.
- 2. Touch the **Insert After** key to select a new waypoint after the selected waypoint.
- 3. Select a waypoint identifier with the alphanumeric keypad. Then, touch **Enter** to confirm the selection, or touch the **Cancel** key to cancel the operation and return to the Waypoint Options window.

#### 4.2.1.4 Remove

The Remove option allows you to remove the selected waypoint from the active flight plan.

1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will be displayed.



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2. On the Waypoint Options menu, touch the **Remove** key and then the **OK** key to delete the selected waypoint from the active flight plan.



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## 4.2.1.5 Load Procedures

The Load Procedure selection from the Waypoint Options will start the Procedures function. See the Procedures section for complete information.





## 4.2.1.6 Waypoint Info

The Waypoint Info option allows you to view information about the selected waypoint. See the Waypoint Info section for complete information.

- 1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will be displayed.
- 2. One Waypoint Options menu, touch the **WPT Info** key to view information about the selected waypoint.



Figure 4-17 Active Flight Plan Wpt Info

- Back
- 3. Touch the **Back** key to return to the Active Flight Plan page.

## 4.2.2 Airways

Airways may be added as legs in flight plans with any waypoint that is part of an airway, such as a VOR.

1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired Airway entry waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will then be displayed.



Figure 4-18 Active Flight Plan with VOR Entry Wpt

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5. Confirm the airway information and then touch **Load** to insert the selected airway into the flight plan. If changes are desired, touch the **Airway** or **Exit Waypoint** keys to select alternate choices.



6. Touch the **Preview** key to view the airway waypoints and map preview of the airway.

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Figure 4-23 Airway Preview

7. After loading the airway, it is inserted into the flight plan. The airway waypoints are shown below the **Airway** key on the display. Touch the airway to make any changes.



Figure 4-24 Airway Waypoints in the Flight Plan

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Touch To Collapse Airway Waypoint View

Touch To Select New Or Change Current Airway

Touch To Remove Airway From Flight Plan

Holding patterns may be added to existing waypoints within the flight plan.

On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will then be displayed.

Touch the **Airway** key to display the Airway Options. Make

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## 4.2.4 Load Search and Rescue Pattern (Optional)



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will remove the first SAR pattern.

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NOTE: This optional feature is available in software v6.00 and later.

Search and Rescue Patterns may be added to existing waypoints within the active flight plan. Only one SAR pattern can exist in the active flight plan. Loading another SAR pattern into the active flight plan when one already exists

Each pattern has a default initial track. When the pilot changes the initial

track on a SAR pattern, that change becomes the default initial track the next time the SAR pattern is accessed within the GTN. The pilot can always change

the initial track when creating a SAR pattern in the flight plan.

**NOTE:** Turn smoothing may result in SAR coverage being different than intended. The flight crew should always verify that the SAR pattern created conforms to the specific mission requirements.

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**NOTE:** Flight plans cannot be stored in the catalog if they contain a SAR pattern.

1. On the Active Flight Plan page, touch the desired waypoint in the flight plan. The Waypoint Options list will then be displayed.



Figure 4-28 Active Flight Plan with Load SAR Option

- 2. Touch the **Load SAR** key to open the Search and Rescue Patterns page.
- 3. Touch the **SAR Pattern** key to select between Parallel Track, Sector Search, Expanding Square, or Orbit for the SAR pattern type. The available patterns can be configured by the installer and all of the listed pattern types may not be available.

4. Touch the **Preview** key to open a preview of the selected pattern.

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#### 4.2.4.1 Creating a Parallel Track Pattern

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The Parallel Track SAR pattern starts at the initial waypoint and follows the initial track for the length of the first parallel track leg. A 90° turn in the initial turn direction leads to the spacing leg with a length equal to the track spacing. Another 90° turn leads to the second parallel track leg. The turns at the end of the second parallel track leg are in the opposite direction as the previous parallel track leg. The parallel track pattern terminates once the desired number of parallel track legs have been flown. The default initial track for the Parallel Track Pattern is True North.





TRK SPCNG 1.0 NM	5.	Touch the <b>TRK SPCNG</b> key to open the keypad. Use the keypad and <b>Enter</b> to select the desired spacing between the parallel track legs.	Foreword Getting
Leg Count 10	6.	Touch the <b>Leg Count</b> key to open the keypad. Use the keypad and <b>Enter</b> to select the desired number of parallel track legs.	Started Audio & Xodr Ctrl
Preview	7.	Touch the <b>Preview</b> key to open a preview of the selected pattern.	Com/Nav
Load Pattern	8.	Touch the <b>Load Pattern</b> key to load selected pattern to the active flight plan.	FPL
Or			Direct-To
Load PTRN & Activate	9.	Touch the <b>Load PTRN &amp; Activate</b> key to load selected pattern to the active flight plan and go direct-to the initial waypoint.	Proc

## 4.2.4.2 Creating a Sector Search Pattern

The Sector Search SAR pattern starts at the initial waypoint and follows the initial track for the desired leg length. A 60° turn in the initial turn direction is followed by another leg with the desired leg length, another 60° turn, and then a leg back to the initiating waypoint. The next sector starts with a leg continuing on the same course outbound from the initiating waypoint and is followed by the same sequence of legs and turns. The third sector follows the same pattern. The default initial track for the Sector Search Pattern is True North.



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Figure 4-35 Sector Search Pattern

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1. Touch the **SAR Pattern** key and select Sector Search as the pattern type.

- 2. Touch the **INIT TRK** key to open the keypad. Use the keypad and **Enter** to select the initial course.
- 3. Touch the **INIT Turn** key to select between Left or Right as the initial turn direction.
- 4. Touch the **Leg Length** key to open the keypad. Use the keypad and **Enter** to select the length of the parallel track legs.
- 5. Touch the **Preview** key to open a preview of the selected pattern.
- 6. Touch the **Load Pattern** key to load selected pattern to the active flight plan.
- Or, touch the Load PTRN & Activate key to load selected pattern to the active flight plan and go direct-to the initial waypoint.

#### 4.2.4.3 Creating an Expanding Square Pattern

The Expanding Square SAR pattern starts at the initial waypoint and follows the initial track for a distance equal to the track spacing. All turns in the expanding square pattern are in the initial turn direction. All legs in the expanding square pattern are separated by the track spacing distance. The default initial track for the Expanding Square Pattern is 090°T.

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## 4.2.4.4 Creating an Orbit Pattern

The Orbit SAR pattern is a fixed radius turn around the specified center waypoint. Automatic waypoint sequencing will be suspended while flying the orbit pattern.



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# 4.3 Flight Plan Menu

The Flight Plan Menu provides access to functions to manage your flight plans. The functions included are: View Catalog, Store Flight Plan, Delete Flight Plan, Preview Flight Plan, Parallel Track, Invert Flight Plan, and Edit Data Fields.



Figure 4-41 Flight Plan Menu Functional Diagram

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## 4.3.1 Store Flight Plan

A flight plan must be saved to the Catalog to be used in future flights. The Store Flight Plan function will save the Active Flight Plan to the Catalog.



Figure 4-42 Duplicate Flight Plan Naming

The Invert Flight Plan option allows you to reverse the Active flight plan and use it for navigation guidance back to your original departure point. The original

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## 4.3.2 Invert Flight Plan

flight plan stored in the catalog is not affected.

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1. While viewing the Active Flight Plan page, touch the **Menu** key. The Flight Plan Menu will be displayed.

Touch the **Invert** key to invert the current Active Flight Plan.

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## 4.3.3 Parallel Track

Parallel Track allows you to create a parallel course offset of 1 to 99 NM to the left or right of your current flight plan. After setting a parallel track to your current flight plan, a magenta parallel track line will be drawn offset from the original by the selected distance. The original course line will be drawn in gray. The aircraft will navigate to the parallel track course line and external CDI/HSI guidance will be driven from the parallel track.

When you reach the end of the flight plan, a message will state, "Parallel offset terminating in X seconds." The message will be given when the aircraft reaches the offset distance from the end of the parallel track. This will give the pilot sufficient time to intercept the original course.



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## 4.3.4 Edit Data Fields

The Active Flight Plan Page shows each waypoint for the flight plan, along with the Desired Track (DTK), Distance (DIS) for each leg and Cumulative Distance (CUM). The data fields are user-selectable and may be changed to display Cumulative Distance (CUM), Distance (DIS), Desired Track (DTK), En Route Safe Altitude (ESA), Estimated Time of Arrival (ETA), or Estimated Time En route (ETE).







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- 3. Touch the **Up** or **Down** keys, or touch and drag the list, as needed to scroll through the list. Touch the desired Field Type to set it for the selected field.
- 4. Continue as desired for the other fields.

## 4.3.5 Flight Plan Catalog Route Options

The Flight Plan Catalog allows you to create, edit, activate, delete and copy flight plans. The catalog can hold up to 99 flight plans of up to 100 waypoints each. Flight plans are named by the Departure and Destination waypoint. Any time you activate a flight plan, a copy of the flight plan is automatically transferred to Active Flight Plan page and overwrites any previously active flight plan.

1. While viewing the Flight Plan page, touch the **Menu** key, and then the **Catalog** key. The list of currently stored flight plans will be displayed.



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## 4.3.5.1 Catalog Route Option - Activate

1. While viewing the Flight Plan Catalog page, touch the desired flight plan to select it. The Route Options menu will be displayed.

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 Touch the Activate key and then touch OK. The selected flight plan will be activated.



#### Figure 4-51 Touch OK to Replace the Existing Active Flight Plan

3. The Active Flight Plan page will now be displayed.

## 4.3.5.2 Catalog Route Option - Invert & Activate

- 1. While viewing the Flight Plan Catalog page, touch the desired flight plan to select it. The Route Options menu will be displayed.
- Invert & Activate
- 2. Touch the **Invert & Activate** key and then touch **OK**. The selected flight plan will be inverted and activated.



#### Figure 4-52 Touch OK to Invert and Activate the Selected Flight Plan

3. The Active Flight Plan page will now be displayed.

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## 4.3.5.5 Catalog Route Option - Copy

1. While viewing the Flight Plan Catalog page, touch the desired flight plan to select it. The Route Options menu will be displayed.

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2. Touch the **Copy** key. You will be prompted to copy the selected flight plan. Touch **OK** to create the flight plan copy.





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Figure 4-55 Flight Plan Catalog Route Copy Option

OK

Copy Flight Plan KNQX / KBFM?

3. A copy of the selected flight plan will now be listed. If any changes are required for the copy, it can be used as a starting point for a similar flight plan. Use the Edit Route option to make the desired changes.



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- Touch **Delete All** to remove all flight plans in the catalog.
- Touch **Delete Pending** to remove all flight plans pending
- While viewing the Active Flight Plan page, touch the Menu key, and then the **Delete Flight Plan** key.



Figure 4-62 Delete a Flight Plan from the Active Flight Plan

Touch **OK** to clear the waypoints from the Active Flight Plan. The flight plan will not be removed from the Catalog.



## 4.3.7 Preview Flight Plan

The Preview Flight Plan function provides a summary of a flight plan. A preview of the Active Flight Plan can be selected from the Flight Plan Menu's **Preview Flight Plan** key or selecting a flight plan from the catalog and choosing Preview from the Route Options menu.

## 4.3.7.1 Previewing the Active Flight Plan

- Menu
- 1. While viewing the Flight Plan page, touch the **Menu** key, and then the **Preview** key. A preview of the Active Flight Plan will be shown.





The Active Flight Plan may be edited graphically on the Map page. See section 8.3.3 for details.

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## Import Flight Plans with Connext

When the GTN is interfaced with a compatible Flight Stream device, flight plans can be wirelessly imported into the GTN from supported Apps (i.e., Garmin Pilot). The imported flight plans can then be activated or stored to the flight plan catalog once they are previewed by the pilot.

**NOTE:** Flight plans over 99 waypoints long are truncated at 99 waypoints and the last waypoint in the imported/uploaded flight plan may not be the destination airport.

**NOTE:** Flight plan information and user waypoints included as part of a flight plan will not necessarily retain their names when the flight plan is transferred from the portable device to the GTN via a Flight Stream device. Whenever a User Waypoint is imported, it is compared to the existing User Waypoint catalog. If it matches locations with an existing User Waypoint, the waypoint will utilize the name saved in the GTN for that waypoint. If there is not a location match, the waypoint is imported but without the name label that the import software may have used. Therefore all new User Waypoints will come in as USR### where the number is the lowest open User Waypoint slot in the catalog.

NOTE: This feature is available in software v5.10 and later.

## 4.5.1 Operation

On the portable device, select the option to send a flight plan to the GTN. The GTN **MSG** key will appear and begin to flash.

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 Pressing the **MSG** key will open the message page with a message regarding the flight plan import and a key showing how many flight plans are ready to preview.

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Touch To Preview Flight Plan FLIGHT PLAN IMPORT New imported flight plan(s) available for preview. Figure 4-64 Flight Plan Import Message

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2. Touch the **New FPL** key to open the flight plan preview page when only one flight plan is imported, or the flight plan catalog when more than one flight plan is imported.







FLIGHT PLAN IMPORT		
Flight plan import failed.	Catalog	is full.

#### Figure 4-68 Flight Plan Import Error Messages

If an imported flight plan contains any errors, pop-up messages will be displayed alerting the pilot of the issues and the resulting changes to the flight plan.

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When the imported flight plan is too long, the GTN will truncate the flight plan to the correct length. The pilot should be aware that waypoints are missing from the end of the flight plan, including the destination waypoint.

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#### Figure 4-69 Pop-Up Message Reporting Flight Plan Errors

Direct-To When the imported flight plan contains waypoints (non-user waypoints), procedures, or airways that are not found in navigation database, the GTN will Proc replace those waypoints with locked (lockd) waypoints. These locked waypoints must be resolved prior to activating the flight plan to provide navigation along Wpt Info

When more than one error occurs during the flight plan import, the pilot will need to cycle through the errors by touching the **Next** key on the pop-up.

Traffic		Flight Plan Issue (2 of 4)	
		Flight plan contains unknown waypoints, Invalid flight plan	
Terrain		waypoints locked.	
		Next	
Weather		Next	
Nearest	l	igure 4-70 Pop-Up Message Reporting Unknown Waypoints	
		Flight Plan Issue (3 of 4)	
Services/ Music		Unknown procedure removed	
		from imported flight plan.	
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		Next	
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		Figure 4-71 Pop-Up Message Reporting Unknown Procedure	
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Sumbols		Unknown airway removed from	
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## 4.6 Import Flight Plans with a Datacard

Flight plans can be created on a computer using compatible flight planning software and saved to the datacard to be imported into the GTN. The imported flight plans can then be activated or stored to the flight plan catalog once they are previewed by the pilot.

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**NOTE:** Flight plans over 99 waypoints long are truncated at 99 waypoints and the last waypoint in the imported/uploaded flight plan may not be the destination airport.



**NOTE:** This feature is available in software v5.10 and later.

**NOTE:** The flight plan file format used by the GTN is different than the file format used by the GNS 400W/500W Series navigators.



1. While viewing the Flight Plan page, touch the **Menu** key and then the **Catalog** key to display the Flight Plan Catalog.





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<b>FPL</b> Direct-To		Flight Plan Issue (2 of 4) Flight plan contains unknown waypoints. Invalid flight plan waypoints locked	
Proc Wpt Info		Next	
Man	Figure 4-79	Flight Plan Import Issue - Flight Plan Contains	Unknown Waypoints
IVIdp		Flight Plan Issue (3 of 4)	
Traffic		Unknown procedure removed from imported flight plan.	
Terrain Weather		Next	
	Figure 4-80 Flig	ht Plan Import Issue - Unknown Procedure Re	moved From Flight Plan
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