

GTX 335/345 Series All-In-One ADS-B Transponder

Pilot's Guide



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WARNING

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WARNING

To reduce the risk of unsafe operation, carefully review and understand all aspects of the GTX 3X5 Pilot's Guide. Thoroughly practice basic operation prior to actual use.



WARNING

The display surface is coated with a special anti-reflective coating that is very sensitive to skin oils, waxes, and abrasive cleaners. It is very important to clean the lens using an eyeglass lens cleaner that is specified as safe for anti-reflective coatings with a clean, lint-free cloth.



WARNING

Traffic information is provided as an aid in visually acquiring traffic. Pilots must maneuver the aircraft based only upon ATC guidance or positive visual acquisition of traffic.



CAUTION

Unauthorized repairs or modifications could result in permanent damage to the equipment, and void your warranty and your authority to operate this device under FCC and FAA regulations.



NOTE

The coverage expected for all operations (transponder replies to ATC, ADS-B and FIS-B reception) from the Garmin GTX 3X5 is limited to line of sight. Low altitude or aircraft antenna shielding by the aircraft itself may result in reduced range. Range can be improved by climbing to a higher altitude.



NOTE

This product does not contain any user-serviceable parts. Repairs should only be made by an authorized Garmin service center.



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Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADS-B Automatic Dependant Surveillance-Broadcast
ADS-R Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Rebroadcast

AHRS Attitude and Heading Reference System

ATC Air Traffic Control

ATCRBS Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System
FIS-B Flight Information Services-Broadcast

PIREP Pilot Report

SSR Secondary Surveillance RADAR

TAS Traffic Advisory System

TCAS Traffic Collision Avoidance System

TIS Traffic Information Service

TIS-B Traffic Information Service-Broadcast

Sources and References

Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS-B) is an important part of the FAA's NextGEN effort. ADS-B is a precise GPS-based surveillance system that provides ATC access to traffic data well beyond the capabilities of RADAR alone. It enables the display of precise traffic data in cockpits equipped to receive ADS-B.

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1 GTX 3X5 SERIES TRANSPONDERS

The GTX 3X5 Series Transponders are panel mount and remote transponders. Both models are TSO-C112e (Level 2els, Class 1) compliant mode S transponders with TSO-C166b compliant ADS-B Out Extended Squitter functionality.

1.1 GTX 335 Transponder

GTX 335 Features:

- ADS-B Out, TIS traffic display output and aural alerting
- Altitude deviation alerting
- Timers: count up, count down, flight, trip
- Static (Outside) air temperature display
- Density altitude display
- Internal GPS (Optional)

Refer to the display's operator's manual for information about TIS traffic.

1.2 GTX 345 Transponder

The GTX 345 includes ADS-B In functionality, when connected to a suitable display.

GTX 345 Features:

- ADS-B Out, Dual-band ADS-B In traffic display output and aural alerting
- Integration with TCAD/TAS/TCAS I traffic systems
- FIS-B weather and flight information display output
- Connect PED interface to traffic, weather, and AHRS, via Bluetooth
- Altitude deviation alerting
- Timers: count up, count down, flight, trip
- Static (Outside) air temperature display
- · Density and pressure altitude display
- Internal GPS (Optional)

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2 GTX 3X5 CONTROLS

The GTX 3X5 series transponders share a common pilot interface. The centerpiece is a sunlight-readable, auto-dimming display, surrounded by the familiar Garmin transponder keypad layout. The keys provide instant flight crew access to the core transponder controls and efficient access to additional GTX 3X5 features.



2.1 Power Control Keys



- **ON** Powers on into ON mode.
- **ALT** Powers on into ALT mode.
- **OFF** Powers off.
- **SBY** Powers on into standby mode.

2.2 Mode Selection Keys



NOTE

GND mode is no longer supported by the transponder system. Always operate the transponder in ALT mode while in controlled airspace, in accordance with 14 CFR 91.215(d). For guidance on transponder operation, refer to the FAA Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM), 4-1-20(a)(3).

When on the ground or in the air, always operate the transponder in ALT mode, unless otherwise requested by ATC. It is acceptable to go directly from OFF to ALT mode, with no need to place in SBY mode for a "warm up" period. The transponder automatically determines whether the aircraft is in the air or on the ground and sends that information to other aircraft and ATC.

Table 2-1 Mode Section Key Functions

| SBY | The SBY key selects the standby mode. The transponder will not reply to any interrogations or transmit ADS-B Out. | | |
|-----|--|--|--|
| | If BT functions are enabled, BT functionality remains operational. | | |
| | The GTX 345 will continue to receive ADS-B In information, but there will be limited TIS-B coverage. | | |
| ON | The ON key selects the on mode. The transponder replies to interrogations. It does not include pressure altitude. | | |
| | The Reply ($lacktriangle$) symbol on the display indicates the transponder is actively responding. | | |
| ALT | The ALT key selects the alt mode. Alt mode should always be used while in the air and on the ground , unless otherwise requested by ATC. All aircraft air/ground state transmissions are handled via the GTX 3X5 transponder and require no pilot action. The transponder replies to identification and altitude interrogations. | | |
| | The Reply (\blacksquare) symbol on the display indicates the transponder is actively responding. The GTX 3X5 transmissions include pressure altitude. | | |

2.3 Squawk Code Keys



There are eight squawk code entry keys (**0 – 7**). They provide access to all ATCRBS codes. Pressing one of the squawk code entry keys begins the code selection sequence. Digits that are not yet entered appear as underscored blanks. When the fourth digit is entered the new code is activated.

Table 2-2 Squawk Code Key Functions

To move the cursor back to the previous digit, press the **CLR** key.

To move the cursor back to the first digit, press and hold the **CLR** key.

Pressing the **CLR** key when the cursor is on the first digit removes the cursor and cancels the code entry, retaining the last code entered.

Pressing the **CRSR** key when entering the code removes the cursor and cancels the code entry. The last code entered is retained.



Figure 2-1 Squawk Code Entry Field

2.4 Function Keys

Table 2-3 Function Keys

2.5 Remote Transponder Control

The GTX 3X5 transponder functions are controllable from connected, Garmin certified displays (e.g., GTN) or G1000 integrated flight deck. When the GTX 3X5 is installed in a location other than the cockpit instrument panel, remote control from a display is the only GTX 3X5 flight crew interface available.

Remote transponder control includes:

- Squawk code
- Transponder mode
- IDENT
- ADS-B transmit control*
- Flight ID*
- TIS traffic enable/disable (GTX 335 only)

Refer to the display's pilot guide for transponder control operation that is specific to each display.

^{*}When allowed by installation configuration.

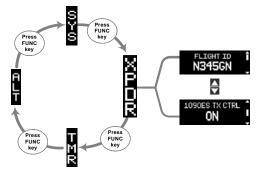
3 DISPLAY FUNCTIONS AND SETTINGS

The GTX 3X5 is organized into four menu groups shown on the right-hand side of the display. Each menu group contains a set of functions and settings. Menu groups include:

- Transponder (XPDR) Timers (TMR) Altitude (ALT) System (SYS)
 - To navigate between the menu groups, press the **FUNC** key.
- To navigate up or down and between the functions and settings within a current menu group, press the 8 ▲ or 9 ▼ keys.

When enabled by installation configuration, the menu group last selected, and the functions last used within that menu group, are saved and restored at system power on. Otherwise, function navigation resets to the default state at system power on.

3.1 Transponder (XPDR)



FLIGHT ID N345GN **FLIGHT ID** – This page displays the active Flight ID. Unless configured, the Flight ID is not editable. If configured, the Flight ID Edit prompt displays, as shown in figure 3-1. Use the **ENT** and **CLR** keys to edit the Flight ID. An example of the editable Flight ID page is shown in figure 3-2.



Figure 3-1 Flight ID Edit Display Page



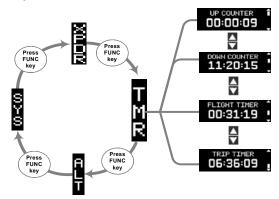
Figure 3-2 Flight ID Editable Display Page

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1090ES TX CTRL – This page displays the current ON/OFF state of the 1090ES ADS-B Out function. Access to pilot control of the 1090ES ADS-B Out function is through this page when allowed by system configuration.

3.2 Timers (TMR)



UP COUNTER 1

UP COUNTER – This page provides a stopwatch style counter. Manual start/stop/reset controls are via the **ENT** and **CLR** keys.

11:20:15

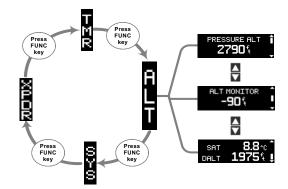
DOWN COUNTER – This page provides notification in a count down style timer when the timer expires. Manual start/stop/set/reset controls are via the **ENT** and **CLR** keys.

FLIGHT TIMER OO:31:19

FLIGHT TIMER – This page provides an airborne flight timer that automatically starts and stops with the GTX automatic airborne determination. The timer measures the elapsed airborne time since the last on ground-to-airborne transition. Manual start/stop/reset controls are via the **ENT** and **CLR** keys.

TRIP TIMER 06:36:09 **TRIP TIMER** – This page provides an airborne flight timer that automatically starts and stops with the *GTX* automatic airborne determination. The timer measures the elapsed airborne time since the last manual reset of the timer. Manual start/stop/reset controls are via the **ENT** and **CLR** keys.

3.3 Altitude (ALT)





PRESSURE ALT – This page displays the current pressure altitude.



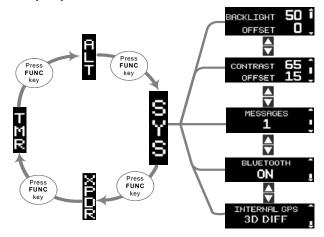
ALT MONITOR – This page displays the current altitude deviation from the altitude chosen to maintain. This altitude is automatically set when the altitude monitor is turned on. ON/OFF controls are via the **CRSR** and **ENT** keys.

If deviation is greater than the deviation limit (default is 250 ft.), the GTX will display "LEAVING ALTITUDE" for two seconds. It will then switch to the altitude monitor page. If the altitude alert is configured to "Message" or "Message + Chime," the GTX will aurally alert "leaving altitude." The GTX will reset the monitor when the aircraft's altitude returns within the deviation limit.



SAT/DALT – This page displays the current static air temperature (SAT) and density altitude (DALT), when available.

3.4 System (SYS)





BACKLIGHT – This page displays the current backlight level and backlight level offset. The backlight level offset is via the **CRSR** and $8 \leftarrow$ and $9 \leftarrow$ keys.



CONTRAST – This page displays the current contrast level and contrast level offset. The contrast level offset is via the **CRSR** and **8** ▲ and **9** ★ keys.



NOTE

Messages are not high priority. Their purpose is to provide additional information on abnormal system behavior. They do not require immediate pilot action. Any transponder failure will immediately display an alert with no pilot action necessary to view the alert. For troubleshooting failure messages, refer to section 7.



MESSAGES – This page displays the number of active system messages. Viewing active system messages is via the **CRSR** key selection.



BLUETOOTH (GTX 345) – This page displays the status of the GTX 345 Bluetooth function. The Bluetooth function is automatically placed into pairing mode when this page is displayed. Pairing must be initiated by the PED and then confirmed on the GTX 345. The last 13 paired PEDs are saved. At system power on, the GTX 345 automatically connects to any available and previously saved paired PEDs. PEDs that are currently connected and paired are viewed/deleted via the **CRSR** and **8** ▲ and **9** ★ keys. For instructions on Bluetooth pairing refer to section 3.4.1. For information on Connext Bluetooth features, refer to section 6.



INTERNAL GPS – If configured, this page displays the status of the internal GPS. The GPS position fix details are viewed via **CRSR** key selection.

3.4.1 Bluetooth Pairing Instructions

For first time activation of Bluetooth devices:

- 1. Go to the GTX 345 Bluetooth page to enable pairing mode. Refer to figure 3-3.
- 2. Enable Bluetooth on the PED.
- 3. Select "GTX 345" from the list of available devices on the PED. Refer to manufacturer's information for pairing instructions.
- 4. When a PED sends a pairing request the Bluetooth Pair Request page will display the device name and passkey. Refer to figure 3-4.
- 5. Press **ENT** on the GTX 345 and accept the pairing request on PED.



Figure 3-3 Bluetooth Page



Figure 3-4 Bluetooth Pair Request Page

3.4.2 Bluetooth Paired Device Information

- 1. To view the paired device list, press the **CRSR** key.
- 2. To view the menu and pairing status, press the 8 and 9 keys, respectively.
- 3. Then press the **ENT** key.

The Paired Devices list page will display. Refer to figure 3-5.



Figure 3-5 Paired Device List Page

More information about each paired device and applicable settings can be found by doing the following steps:

- 1. To set the auto-reconnect status, highlight the paired device.
- 2. Then press **ENT** key. Refer to figure 3-6.



Figure 3-6 Auto-reconnect Page

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- 1. To unpair a device, highlight the device to be unpaired.
- 2. Then press the **ENT** key. Refer to figure 3-7.



Figure 3-7 Unpair Device? Page

- 1. To view the device name on the Bluetooth page, press the **ENT** key.
- 2. Use the 8 and 9 keys, highlight the device's name to view.
- 3. Then press the **ENT** key. Refer to figure 3-8.



Figure 3-8 (Selected) Bluetooth Device Name Page

4 ADS-B IN TRAFFIC (GTX 345 ONLY)



NOTE

Inherent inaccuracies exist in TIS-B and TAS/TCAS traffic position data. Because of this the GTX 345 may at times be unable to correlate targets from multiple sources for the same aircraft. When this occurs, a single aircraft is tracked and displayed as two co-located targets.

| ADS-B | Data transmitted directly from other aircraft. |
|-------|---|
| ADS-R | Ground station rebroadcast of ADS-B data after data link translation (UAT to 1090 MHz or 1090 MHz to UAT). This function aids aircrafts only operating one frequency. |
| TIS-B | Ground station broadcast of secondary surveillance radar (SSR) derived traffic. |

The GTX 345 receives ADS-B traffic data (ADS-B, ADS-R, TIS-B) through the UAT (978 MHz) and the 1090 MHz receivers. The GTX 345 may also receive traffic data from configured TAS/TCAS/TCAD. Traffic data is received, processed, and outputted to a connected display without pilot interaction.

Traffic data may also be displayed on a PED (e.g., tablet) via the built-in Bluetooth interface or connected Flight Stream 110/210.

4.1 Traffic Alerting

To enhance situational awareness, the GTX 345 is equipped with traffic alerting on ADS-B, ADS-R, and TIS-B targets. An aural message is issued when an alert becomes active.

For example, "Traffic! Two O'clock, Low, Two Miles."

To minimize nuisance alerts, the traffic alerting sensitivity adapts based on altitude above ground level. No aural alerts are given below 500 feet.

4.2 TCAD/TAS/TCAS I GTX 345 Integration

To optimize situational awareness, the GTX 345 correlates TCAD/TAS/TCAS with ADS-B In traffic, combining data from all sources to create the most accurate and comprehensive traffic picture. When a correlation is made, the most relevant target is displayed. There are no duplicates. Any active traffic system, or ADS-B traffic that is not correlated, is also displayed.

5 FIS-B WEATHER AND FLIGHT INFORMATION

The GTX 345 Flight Information Services–Broadcast (FIS-B) function is capable of receiving weather and flight information. FIS-B is a subscription-free service that is broadcast over the UAT (978 MHz) data link. Reception of FIS-B data requires the aircraft to be within range and line-of-sight of a ground station. Because terrain may obstruct the signal, it may be necessary to gain altitude in order to receive the broadcast. For information regarding the display of weather data and the associated symbology, refer to the display operator's guide. Table 5-1 lists FIS-B weather products and the timing associated with each.

Transmission interval is how often the weather product is broadcast by the ground stations. Update interval is how often the weather product is refreshed with new data from on-ground sensors.

Table 5-1 FIS-B Weather Products

| Weather Product | Expiration Time (Minutes) | Transmission Interval (Minutes) | Update Interval (Minutes) |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| CONUS NEXRAD | 60 | 15 | 1 |
| Regional NEXRAD | 30 | 2.5 | 5 |
| AIRMETs | 60 | 5 | As available |
| SIGMETs | 60 | 5 | As available typically 20 minutes, then at 15 minute intervals for 1 hour |
| METARS | 90 | 5 | As available, 1 minute typically \leq 20 minutes |
| Winds and Temperatures Aloft | 90 or at the end of the valid period | 10 | 12 hours |
| Pilot Weather Report (PIREP) (Blue - Regular, Yellow - Urgent) | 90 | 10 | As available typically 20 minutes |
| TAFs | 60 | 10 | 8 |
| NOTAMs | 60 | 10 | As available |

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6 CONNEXT BLUETOOTH

The GTX 345 Connext interface allows communication with apps (i.e., Garmin Pilot and ForeFlight Mobile), while running on a PED. Connext works via the Bluetooth data link to provide up-to-date, wireless information throughout the cockpit. Refer to section 3.4 for Bluetooth pairing instructions. Up to two Bluetooth connections are supported by the GTX 345. Table 6-1 lists the GTX 345 Connext features.

Table 6-1 GTX 345 Connext Features

GTX 345 CONNEXT FEATURES

GPS Position and Velocity

 GPS position and velocity information used by the GTX 345's certified ADS-B functionality is made available to PEDs.

ADS-B In Traffic

 ADS-B In traffic data that is provided to certified traffic displays is made available to PEDs. This traffic is also combined with TCAD/TAS/TCAS traffic when the systems are integrated during installation.

FIS-B Weather and Flight Information

 FIS-B weather and flight information that is provided to certified displays is made available to PFDs

Pressure Altitude

 Uncorrected barometric pressure altitude used by the GTX 345's certified transponder and ADS-B functionality is made available to PEDs.

Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS)

- When the GTX 345 is installed as part of an integrated flight deck (e.g., G500/G600, G1000), AHRS data from an AHRS source is made available to PEDs.
- When the GTX 345 is installed as a stand-alone device, a built-in sensor provides AHRS data to PEDs via Connext. Attitude data is not output to other installed avionics.
- The internal AHRS sensor is for use in fixed-wing aircraft only and is disabled in helicopter installations. All internal AHRS functions are automatic and no pilot action is required.

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7 TROUBLESHOOTING

The GTX 3X5 display system sends messages to the flight crew when trouble or otherwise abnormal conditions are detected. Table 7-1 outlines troubleshooting actions the flight crew may take to attempt to resolve each system message. If the actions taken do not resolve the message, or if there are any questions, the Garmin Product Support department is available Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM Central Time.

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To expedite your call, please have the following information ready.

- 1. System configuration (products, antennas, mounting location, etc.)
- 2. Model number, part number, and serial number
- 3. Software version(s)
- 4. Description of the problem
- 5. Efforts made to isolate/solve the problem

7.1 Transponder Failures

The screen in figure 7-1 shows when ADS-B is not transmitting and the aircraft may not be compliant with 14 CFR 91.225. However, the transponder is still operating. The screen in figure 7-2 shows if both the transponder and ADS-B are not transmitting and the aircraft may not be compliant with 14 CFR 91.215 and 14 CFR 91.225.



Figure 7-1 ADS-B 1090 Failed Screen



Figure 7-2 ADS-B 1090 and Transponder Failed Screen

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7.2 Transponder System Messages



NOTE

Messages are not high priority. Their purpose is to provide additional information on abnormal system behavior. They do not require immediate pilot action. Any transponder failure will immediately display an alert with no pilot action necessary to view the alert.

To view new messages:

- 1. Press FUNC key to SYS group.
- 2. Press CRSR then ENT key to view message.

Table 7-1 Troubleshooting

| GTX 3X5 SYSTEM MESSAGE | EXPLANATION | FLIGHT CREW ACTION |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| 1090 ADS-B In Failed | The GTX 3X5 has detected a 1090 receiver fault. Traffic picture may not be complete. | Contact dealer for service. |
| 1090 ADS-B Out Failed | The unit cannot transmit ADS-B messages. Note: This message is present regardless of whether 1090 ES is on or off. | Contact dealer for service. |
| ADS-B In Failed | The GTX 3X5 has detected a fault in both 1090 and UAT receivers. ADS-B IN traffic and FIS-B will not be available. | Contact dealer for service. |
| ADS-B In Traffic Alerting Failed | The GTX 3X5 does not have enough information to provide traffic alerting on ADS-B targets. | Check power and/or circuit breaker for the GPS position source (e.g., GTN or GNS). Make sure the GPS antenna has a clear view of the sky and provide enough time for the GPS position source to obtain a position fix. Extended periods between use or GPS position source disconnection from the aircraft battery could cause a longer than normal GPS satellite acquisition time. If problem persists, contact dealer for service. |

| GTX 3X5 SYSTEM MESSAGE | EXPLANATION | FLIGHT CREW ACTION | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| ADS-B Position Input Failed | The unit is not receiving GPS. | Check power and/or circuit breaker for the GPS position source (e.g., GTN or GNS). Make sure the GPS antenna has a clear view of the sky and provide enough time for the GPS position source to obtain a position fix. Extended periods between use or GPS position source disconnection from the aircraft battery could cause a longer than normal GPS satellite acquisition time. | |
| FIS-B Weather Failed | The FIS-B receiver has failed. The display of FIS-B products may be unavailable. | Contact dealer for service. | |
| Ground Test | The unit is operating in a mode intended for ground testing. | Turn the unit off and then back on again. | |
| Maximum Temperature Exceeded | The unit is too hot. The transponder will not transmit until it has cooled. | Use alternate transponder as the active transponder, if available, to allow the GTX 3X5 to cool. | |
| Minimum Temperature Exceeded | The unit is too cold. The transponder will not transmit until it has warmed up. Allow time for the GTX 3X5 to war ensure proper operation. | | |
| Pressure Altitude Failed | The GTX 3X5 has lost communication with the pressure altitude source. | Check power and/or circuit breaker for the pressure altitude source (e.g., altitude encoder, ADC, etc.) | |
| Service Soon | GTX 3X5 has detected an internal fault but the unit will continue to function. | Contact dealer for service. | |
| TAS/TCAS Failed | TAS/TCAS is reporting failed or the GTX 3X5 has lost communicating with the TAS/TCAS. | Check power and/or circuit breaker for the TCAD/TAS/TCAS System. | |

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| GTX 3X5 SYSTEM MESSAGE | EXPLANATION | FLIGHT CREW ACTION |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Traffic Processing Failed | The unit cannot process traffic because the unit isn't receiving enough information or the unit has an internal fault. | Check power and/or circuit breaker for the GPS position source (e.g., GTN or GNS). Make sure the GPS antenna has a clear view of the sky and provide enough time for the GPS position source to obtain a position fix. Extended periods between use or GPS position source disconnection from the aircraft battery could cause a longer than normal GPS satellite acquisition time. |
| | | Check Power and/or circuit breaker for the TCAD/TAS/TCAS I system. |
| UAT ADS-B In Failed | The GTX 3X5 has detected a UAT receiver fault. Traffic picture may not be complete. | Contact dealer for service. |



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