## HUMMINBIRD. COASTMASTER OUICK START GUIDE 532709-2EN\_A

# INTRODUCTION

Humminbird<sup>®</sup> CoastMaster<sup>™</sup> chart cards are compatible with HELIX<sup>®</sup> G3 and G3N control heads with chartplotting capabilities and all SOLIX<sup>®</sup> control heads. To review the latest compatibility information and to download a detailed CoastMaster Chart Card user guide, visit our Web site at humminbird.com.

This quick start guide and the CoastMaster user guide contain instructions that apply to your Humminbird control head(s) as follows:

- SOLIX Series
- HELIX Series

## HUMMINBIRD COASTMASTER CHART CARDS

Your control head is compatible with either an SD card or a microSD card. It is important to note the following guidelines:

**WARNING!** Do NOT delete or change the contents of your chart card. Changing the card will permanently damage it.

- Confirm the chart card is locked (see the illustrations below).
- Do not force the card into the slot. The card should click easily into place.
- Do not leave the card slot cover open. Close the slot cover to prevent water damage to the unit.





## **GETTING STARTED**

### Power On

- 1. Press the POWER key.
- 2. Choose your startup mode. If you are on the water with GPS reception, select Normal mode. If you are off the water without GPS reception, select Simulator mode.

### CHECK THE CURRENT SOFTWARE VERSION

It is important to install the latest software update to enable the Humminbird CoastMaster chart card on your control head.

**CoastMaster** requires the following software versions:

SOLIX: 3.710 and later

HELIX: 2.250 and later

Your CoastMaster purchase includes a separate SD card with the most recent software update. See the included Humminbird Software and Basemap Update guide for installation instructions.

## > UPDATE THE BASEMAP (HELIX ONLY)

CoastMaster requires the following basemap versions to operate on HELIX control heads:

HELIX 7 and 8: 2.010 (released 07/2020) and later

All other compatible HELIX models: 1.031 (released 07/2020) and later

See the included Humminbird Software and Basemap Update guide for installation instructions.

## > Open Chart View

#### SOLIX:

- 1. Press the HOME key.
- 2. Select Chart View from the Favorites bar.

### HELIX:

1. Press the VIEW key until Chart View is displayed on-screen.

#### OR

Press and hold the VIEW key to open the Views X-Press Menu. Select Chart > Chart View.



#### USING THE STATUS BAR (SOLIX ONLY)

The status bar is located at the top of the screen. It changes to match the on-screen view. You can tap the icons in the status bar to open and close a menu or make a selection.



### Select Chart Preset

Use Chart Presets to quickly alternate between settings. You can use the default Fishing or Navigation settings provided, or you can create a custom User preset with your preferences. The Fishing and Navigation presets are also fully customizable. You can restore each preset back to its default settings at any time.

SOLIX: Chart X-Press Menu > Chart Options > Chart Preset

HELIX: Main Menu > HB Chart tab > Chart Preset

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#### SOLIX



## SET DEPTH HIGHLIGHTS

Highlight deep and shallow waters in Chart View and Chart Combo Views using the following CoastMaster features. Highlight colors are customizable.

- **Depth Highlights** allow you to select up to four depth ranges to be highlighted on the chart.
- **Shallow Water Highlight** identifies shallow waters when the depth is equal to or less than the level you set.

**SOLIX:** Chart X-Press Menu > Chart Options > Depth Highlights

HELIX: Main Menu > HB Chart tab > Depth Highlights



## SET SAFE DEPTH LEVEL

Use the Safe Depth feature to set the minimum depth level for your vessel and to turn on highlights for hazards shallower than that level.

**SOLIX:** Home > Settings > Chart > Safe Depth

HELIX: Main Menu > HB Chart tab > Safe Depth

## > Show/Hide Spot Soundings

Spot Soundings are depth measurements shown on the chart.

- SOLIX: Chart X-Press Menu > Chart Options > Chart Objects > Navigation > Spot Soundings
- HELIX: Main Menu > HB Chart tab > Chart Objects > Spot Soundings

## COASTMASTER IN CHART VIEW

> SOLIX



## > HELIX



## TIPS FOR USING THE MAP

#### Move Across the Chart solix



Move the Joystick.





Press any arrow on the 4-Way Cursor Control key.

## **>** SEE MORE ON THE CHART

Zoom in (+) and Zoom out (-) to see more of the chart display (contour lines, depth colors, etc.).

### VIEW MAP INFORMATION



Move the cursor to an icon (buoy, marker, etc.), contour line, or position on the chart, and press the CHECK/INFO key. If you have a SOLIX control head, press the CHECK/INFO key a second time or select Map Info from the Info Menu.

## > SEARCH YOUR MAP (SOLIX ONLY)

Search the area for ports, services, tide stations, current stations, and other points of interest. You can also search for the nearest waypoints, routes, and tracks.

- 1. From the Chart X-Press Menu, select Info.
- 2. Select Find Nearest.
- 3. Select an item from the displayed list.

## DISPLAY OR HIDE CONTOUR LINES

Hide Contour Lines to see more details on the chart.

**SOLIX:** Chart X-Press Menu > Chart Options > Depth/Contours

HELIX: Main Menu > HB Chart tab > Depth/Contours

## > CHANGE THE CHART ORIENTATION

Select your display preference: North-Up, Head-Up, Course-Up, etc. **SOLIX:** Chart X-Press Menu > Chart Options > General > Orientation **HELIX:** Main Menu > Chart tab > Chart Orientation

## TROUBLESHOOTING

#### > The map is not displayed in Chart View.

- 1. Confirm GPS reception.
- 2. Confirm the control head software is up to date.
- 3. Confirm compatibility on our Web site at humminbird.com.

#### How can I view maps on my control head when I am not on the water?

 Power on the control head. Select Start Simulation (SOLIX) or Simulator (HELIX). Open a chart view and move the cursor to your desired position on the chart.

**SOLIX:** Chart X-Press Menu > Set Simulation Position

HELIX: Main Menu > Chart Menu Tab > Set Simulation Position

#### Can I view the Humminbird CoastMaster chart card on my computer? No, the Humminbird CoastMaster chart card is not compatible with your computer. It is only compatible with your Humminbird control head. Installing the Humminbird CoastMaster chart card in a computer could corrupt the map files.

- The map displays, but seems to redraw slowly as you move across the water.
  - 1. Press the ZOOM (-) key to zoom out of the Chart View.
  - 2. Confirm the control head software is up to date.

For additional questions, see the FAQ page at humminbird.com or call Humminbird Technical Support at 1-800-633-1468.

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## WARNINGS



**WARNING!** The electronic chart in your Humminbird unit is an aid to navigation designed to facilitate the use of authorized government charts, not to replace them. Only official government charts and notices to mariners contain all of the current information needed for the safety of navigation, and the captain is responsible for their prudent use.



**WARNING!** Do NOT save data files [waypoints, routes, tracks, groups, recordings, etc.] to your chart card. Saving data to your chart card will permanently damage it. You can save navigation data to the control head and export it to a blank card. Download the CoastMaster Chart Cards User Guide from our Web site at **humminbird.com** for more details.



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**NOTE:** To purchase accessories for your control head, visit our Web site at **humminbird.com** or contact Humminbird Technical Support at **1-800-633-1468**.

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