

## Illustrations for the Garmin GNS 530 GPS Computer

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## Chapter 2

Garmin GNS 530  
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A **global positioning system (GPS) computer** allows you to enter the details of your flight plan. The GPS computer will provide many navigational services as you fly along your route.



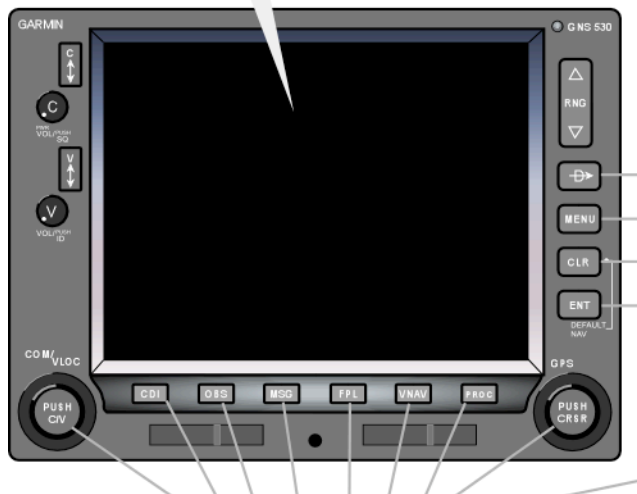
Check the expiration date for the **navigation database** when the computer powers up. If the database is expired, don't use the computer for IFR navigation. **1**

If the database is current, push the ENT button to answer the OK? prompt and continue. **2**

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The **screen** on the front of the GPS computer serves as the monitor.



The **knobs** and **buttons** serve as the keyboard for the GPS computer.

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**Pages** appear on the GPS computer screen and present information related to a particular topic. For example, the **waypoint page** can display information about any chosen waypoint or airport in the navigation database.

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Use the **outer knob** to select different pages. **1**



The name of the page you have currently selected is shown here. **2**

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**Extended pages** show additional information about the same topic.

1



The extended page you are viewing is displayed here. For example, this is the second extended page of the waypoint page.

3

Use the **inner knob** to move between extended pages.

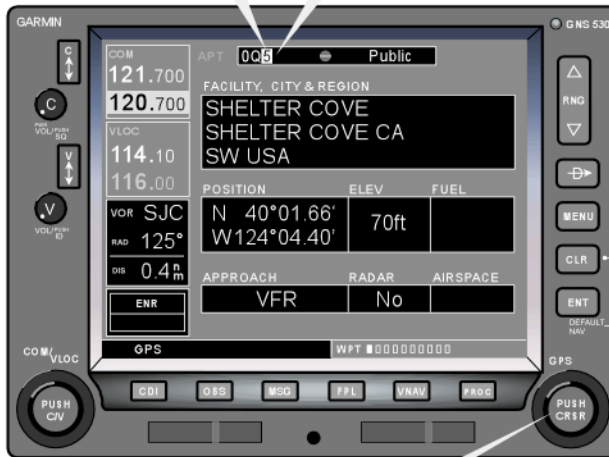
2

Use the inner knob to dial letters and numbers.

3

Use the outer knob to move the flashing cursor between items on the page.

2



Press the inner knob to engage **cursor mode**. A **flashing cursor** will appear over one of the items on the page, indicating that it is ready for editing.

1

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Press the FPL button to select the **flight plan page**.

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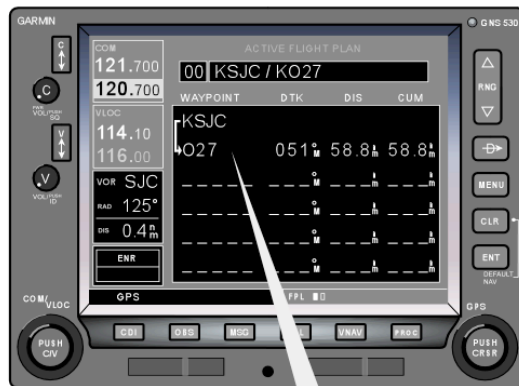
The second extended page of the flight plan page contains the list of stored flight plans. **1**



Press the MENU button to display your options, then scroll to the Activate Flight Plan?, and press the ENT button to make your selection. **3**



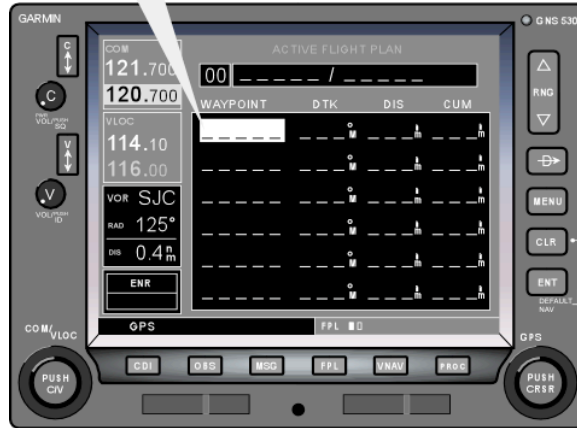
In cursor mode, scroll to the stored flight plan of your choice. **2**



The waypoints in the stored route are moved into flight plan 0, and the stored route becomes the active flight plan. **4**

Use the outer knob in cursor mode to highlight a line on the flight plan page.

1



Dial the name of the waypoint and press the ENT button.

2

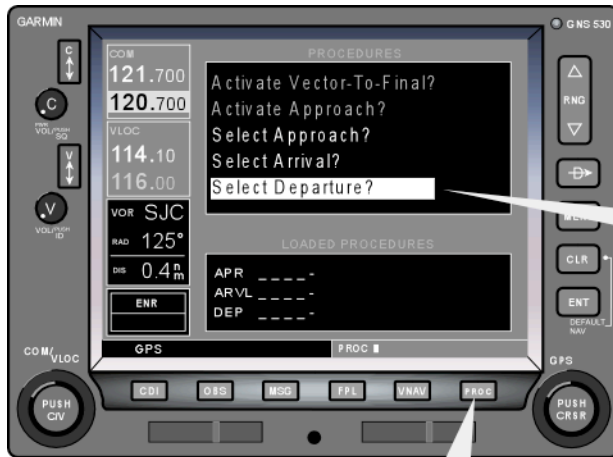


The waypoint now appears in your flight route and the computer is ready to accept more waypoints.

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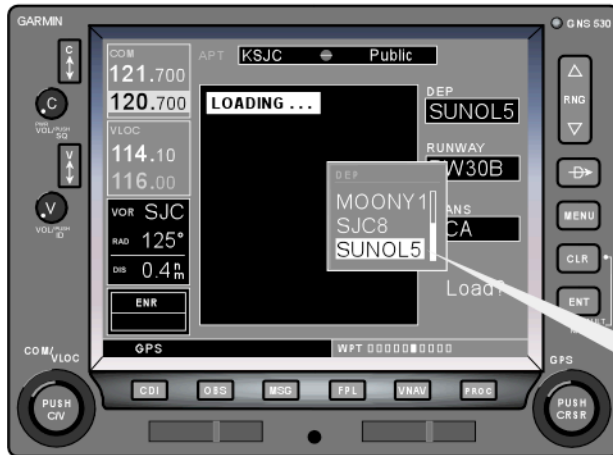






Choose the Select Departure? option from the menu. **2**

Press the **PROC** button to access a list of options for choosing terminal area procedures. **1**



Choose your departure from the menu. **3**



Select your departure runway from the menu. **1**



Now select your departure transition. **2**

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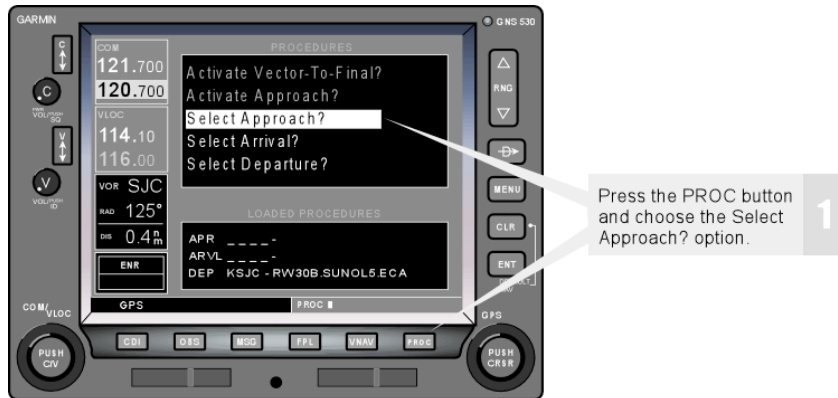
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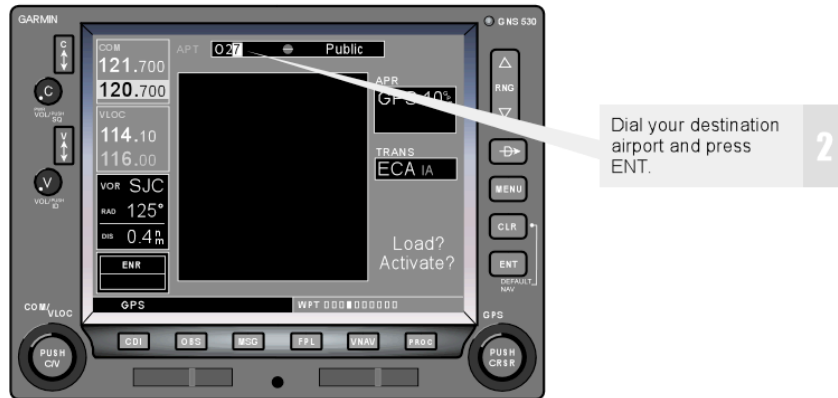
Respond to the Load? prompt to load all of your selections into the active flight plan.

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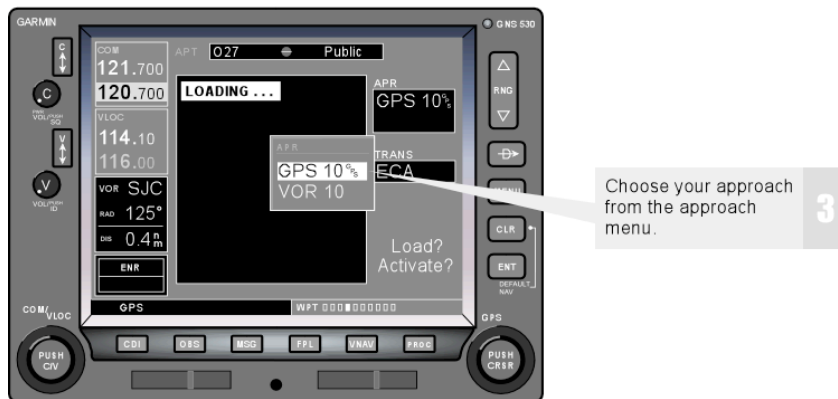
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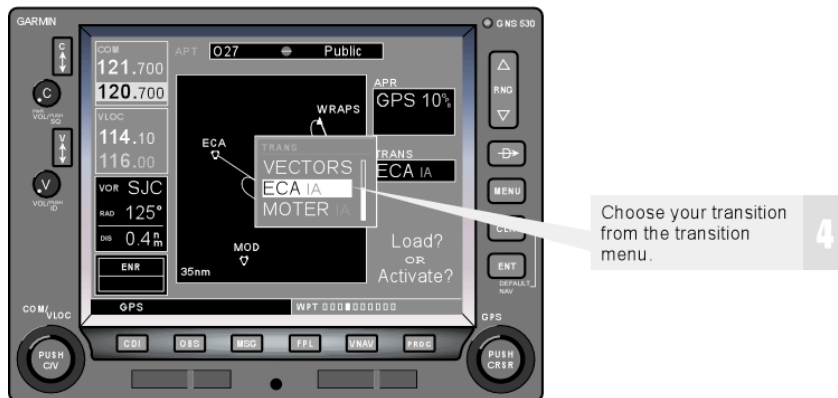
Press the PROC button and choose the Select Approach? option. **1**



Dial your destination airport and press ENT. **2**



Choose your approach from the approach menu. **3**



Choose your transition from the transition menu. **4**



Review your flight plan on the flight plan page. In cursor mode, use the outer knob to scroll between the waypoints in the route. **1**

Check the sequence of waypoints. **2**

Check the distances between the waypoints. **3**

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Check the desired tracks between the waypoints in your route by looking under the DTK column.

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# Chapter 3



1 An **INTEG** annunciation here lets you know that GPS signal reception is no longer adequate.

2 A **flashing message prompt** indicates that you have a **message** to read. Press the **MSG** button to read the message.



3 The message will clearly indicate that there is a problem with the GPS reception.

The flight plan page lists the sequence of waypoints that make up your flight route.

The **active waypoint** is the one that the computer is currently working toward.



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The **desired track** to the active waypoint.

The **track** of the airplane over the ground.

The distance to the **active waypoint**.



Your **ground speed**.

The **course deviation indicator (CDI)** shows your position relative to the desired track to the active waypoint.

The **navigation page** shows you the name of the **active waypoint**.

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Press the **OBS** button to switch between the two different navigation modes.

1

Check to make sure you are in **Sequence mode** (a blank will appear here).

2

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The **waypoint alerting** function provides a flashing message when you approach the vicinity of the active waypoint.

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The **turn anticipation** function advises you to begin your turn to the desired track to the next waypoint in the flight plan.

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The **waypoint sequencing** function makes the next waypoint in the flight plan sequence the new active waypoint.

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Press the **CDI** button so that **GPS** is indicated. Your position with respect to the GPS desired track will be shown on the navigation indicator.

**GPS** means that the navigation indicator is slaved to the GPS computer.

**VLOC** means that the navigation indicator is slaved to the navigation radio.

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The **VNAV** page is accessed by pressing the **VNAV** button.

1

Use cursor mode to edit the entries for your **target altitude** and your desired **descent rate** (VS Profile).

2

The computer calculates your **top-of-descent point**.

3

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One minute prior to reaching the top-of-descent point you will get a flashing message prompt. **1**



Press MSG to view the message, then MSG again to clear it. **2**



At 30NM from the airport, terminal (TERM) mode will be annunciated.

1

In terminal mode, the CDI sensitivity changes from 5.0nm to 1.0nm.

2

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At 2NM from the final approach fix, approach (APR) mode will be annunciated.

1

When approach mode engages, the CDI sensitivity changes from 1.0nm to 0.3nm.

2

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On the flight plan page, use cursor mode to highlight the waypoint to which you would like to proceed direct. **1**

Press the **direct to** button. **2**



Press ENT two times to confirm your choice. **3**



ECA is now the active waypoint. The computer has built a desired track from the present position of the airplane to ECA. **4**



Use cursor mode to highlight the waypoint you want to insert the new waypoint before.

1



Use the inner and outer knobs to enter the new waypoint's identifier. Then press ENT to confirm your choice.

2



The new waypoint is inserted into the flight plan.

3



Use cursor mode to highlight the waypoint you want to delete, then press the **CLR** button.

1



Press ENT to confirm your modification.

2



Press the PROC button and choose Select Approach.

1



Choose your new approach from the approach menu.

2



Choose your new transition from the transition menu.

3



Press the ENT button to load your approach into your flight plan.

4



Use the outer knob to select the **nearest page**. The first extended page shows the nearest airports. **1**



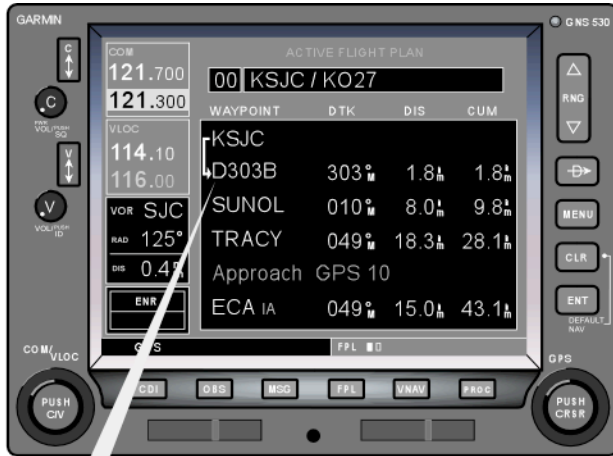
In cursor mode, use the outer knob to select the nearest suitable airport. **2**



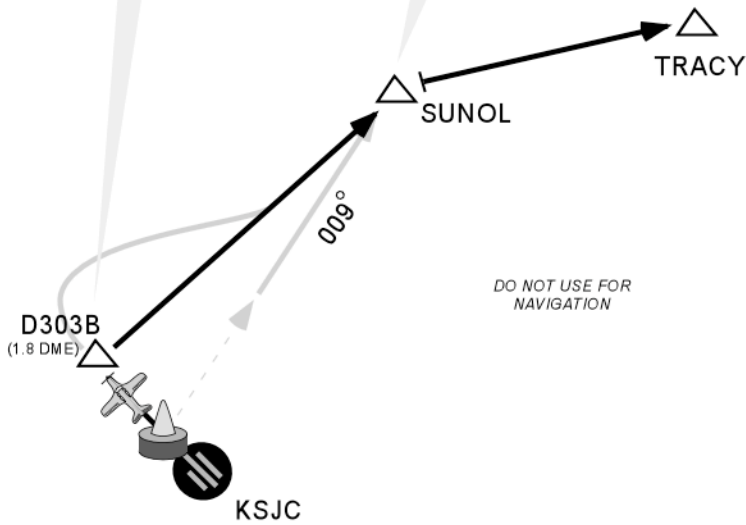
Press the direct to button, then the ENT button to make it the active waypoint. **3**



# Chapter 5



Instead of flying the assigned heading and intercepting the 009-degree radial, the simplified GPS route takes you to the 1.8 DME fix, then directly to SUNOL. ATC would not be pleased with this solution.





To switch to **OBS mode**, press the **OBS button**. OBS will be displayed above the button to indicate the mode change.

1



Once in OBS mode, use the **OBS selector** to dial the inbound course of 009°.

2



ECA is the currently the active waypoint. You need to change this. **1**



On the flight plan page, use cursor mode to highlight ELTRO, press the Direct-To button, and ENT to confirm. **2**



ELTRO becomes the new active waypoint. **3**

The computer now plans to take you directly to ELTRO, which is not quite what you want. **4**

The course you dialed in becomes the new desired track to the active waypoint. **3**



Press OBS to switch to OBS mode. **1**



Dial in the approach course on the CDI. **2**

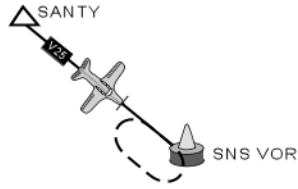
Press the PROC button and choose this option. **1**



ELTRO is now the active waypoint and the final approach course is set as the desired track. You will remain in Sequence mode throughout the approach. There is no need for mode switching. **2**

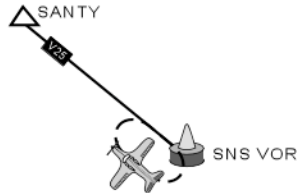


Dial in the approach course on the CDI. **3**



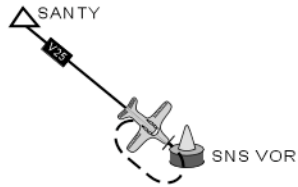
Switch to OBS mode prior to reaching SNS.

**1**



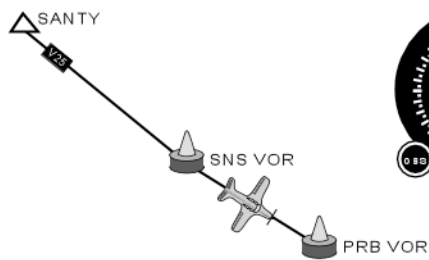
Fly the hold. SNS remains the active waypoint, even after passing it.

**2**



Switch back to sequence mode before reaching SNS.

**3**



PRB now becomes the active waypoint and the flight continues.

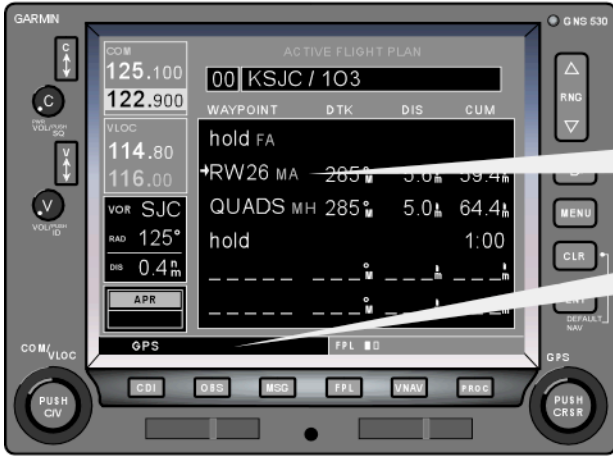
**4**



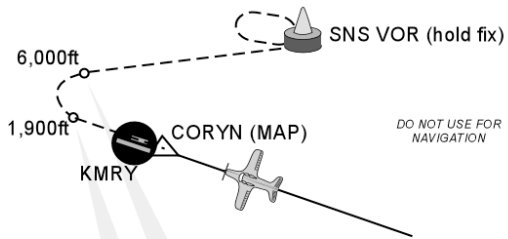
You are approaching the initial approach fix in the sequencing mode as usual.



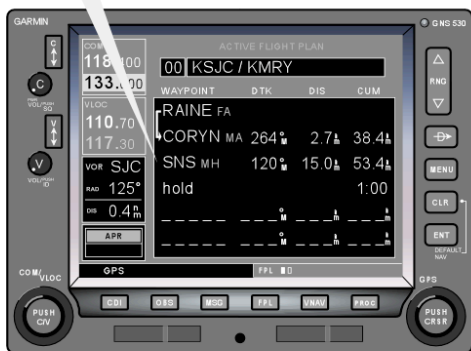
When you cross the initial approach fix, the computer sequences on to the final approach fix, and then automatically (and temporarily) switches to the non-sequencing mode. SUSP is annunciated. You can now turn out-bound on the procedure turn.



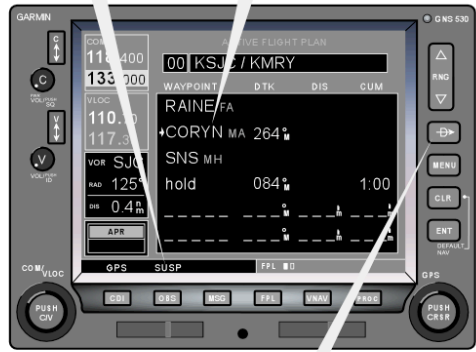
When you turn inbound, the computer automatically switches back to the sequencing mode. Crossing the final approach fix, the computer sequences to the missed approach point.



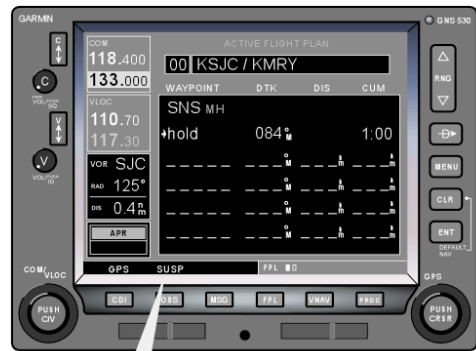
The computer has no way of representing climbs and turns as waypoints. Consequently, the missed approach point and the hold fix are the only waypoints from the missed approach procedure that appear in the computer.



After reaching the missed approach point, the missed approach point remains the active waypoint, and the computer automatically switches to the non-sequencing mode (SUSP). 1



After executing the climbs and turns, you can use the direct to function to proceed to the hold fix. 2



When you reach the hold fix, the computer will switch back to the non-sequencing mode and allow you to fly the hold. 3