

Troubleshooting Navionics Charts in most Lowrance & Eagle Classic (non-HDS) Plotters

Units with SONAR/RADAR/SOUNDER/FISHFINDER must be set to **FULL MAP** to read the Navionics charts (once the Navionics charting information is pulled up you may change to split screen).

- 1. Press PAGES button once, scroll to MAP, then down to FULL MAP, and press ENTER.
- 2. After the Navionics information is brought up, then a split screen can be accessed.

Steps to bring up the software version of the unit

1. Make sure the unit has the most up-to-date software version (to verify what this is visit <u>www.lowrance.com</u> or <u>www.eaglenav.com</u> select **DOWNLOADS** and **PRODUCT SOFTWARE UPDATES**. Select your GPS unit's model #).

If your unit requires a software update, please do not use the Navionics chart to download the software or have the Navionics chip inside the unit when the software is being updated as this will corrupt the Navionics chart and render the card useless.

a. From the chart page, press $\ensuremath{\textbf{MENU}}$ button twice,

- b. Scroll to SYSTEM SETUP and press ENTER.
- c. Scroll to **SOFTWARE INFO** and press **ENTER**.
- d. Unit's model # and software version will be displayed
- e. EXIT out of all MENUS.

Some units require a "HOT BOOT" which means that the unit needs to be turned on and once fully booted up the chip can then be placed in the unit.

- a. If the unit has one slot, proceed to the next step.
- b. If the unit has two slots
 - i. Drawers with two slots (right & left), the chip should be placed on the left side or slot B.
 - ii. Drawers with two slots vertically (up & down), the chip should be placed on the top slot or slot A.

Steps to turn on the Navionics information

1. Press MENU button once, scroll to MAP CATEGORIES DRAWN and press ENTER.

- a. Ensure that the NAVIONICS file has a check mark or X next to it.
- b. When **NAVIONICS** is highlighted, menus for the **SUB CATEGORIES** will appear, ensure **ALL** items have a check mark or an X next to them.
- c. **EXIT** out of the **MENU** once.

Steps to bring up the Navionics chart files

1. Press MENU button once, scroll to MAP DATA and press ENTER.

- a. EARTH MAP DETAILS set to at least MEDIUM.
- b. Ensure the **POP–UP MAP INFO** and the **DRAW/SHOW MAP BOUNDARIES** both have a check mark or X next to them.
- 2. Some units will need to have the MAP DATA SET CHOICE set to NAVIONICS to turn on the NAVIONICS OPTIONS section

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3. Scroll to NAVIONICS MAP CHOICE/MAP CHOICE and press ENTER.

a. There will be numerous files such as LOWRANCE/EAGLE, MIAMI DEMO and the files for the Navionics chart

- i. HotMaps will be the state the lake is in some states are split into sections and will have a directional designation before the state for example Michigan is split into 6 areas; WMI.NV2, SWMI.NV2, SEMI.NV2, NWMI.NV2, NEMI.NV2 & EMI.NV2.
- ii. Marine charts will be the code # of the area in question GOLD+ charts have at least 3 different files that cover the area.

4. Highlight the code # and press **ENTER**.

5. EXIT out of ALL MENUS.

6. If you are physically located in the area, you wish to view and the GPS is reading the satellite, use the ZIN/ZOOM IN & ZOUT/ZOOM OUT buttons for the detailed NM zoom range levels, detail for all charts start at 16NM zoom range level.
7. If you are not physically located in the area you wish to view, use the ZIN/ZOOM IN & ZOUT/ZOOM OUT buttons and the

ARROW buttons to pan over to the area to view the detailed NM zoom range levels, detail for all charts start at 16NM zoom range level.

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