

# **Instruction Manual**



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# **Detector Parts**



See page 39 for the list of accessories available for use with the GPZ 7000.

Items may vary from those shown.









Car Charger



Reid Guides (multiple longuages)



WM12 Wireless Aucto Module\*

Battery Terminal Connection Cable



BC10

**Battery Charger** 

**KDSSHeadphones\*** 

Swing Arm



Pro-Swing detecting harness (including edd-case and instruction share)

\*Not Waterproof

# Assembly

# Assembling the Detector

#### Attach coil and lower shaft to mid shaft

1. Release the camlock on the lower shaft by pulling the lever away from the lower shaft



- 2. Thread the coil cable up the centre of the mid shaft.
- **3.** Insert the mid shaft into the lower shaft. The lower shaft can only be inserted into the mid shaft in one orientation. Ensure that the key stop on the mid shaft is aligned to the upper shaft.



**4.** Lock the camlock by pushing the lever towards the shaft.



#### Attach mid shaft to upper shaft

1. Release the cam lock on the upper shaft by pulling the lever away from the shaft.



**2.** The mid shaft can only be inserted into the upper shaft in one orientation. Ensure that the key stop on the mid shaft is aligned to the upper shaft.



- **3.** Slide the mid shaft into the upper shaft until the coil cable and key stop appear at the top.
- **4.** Rotate lower shaft and coil 90° so that the coil is oriented as shown.



**5.** Lock the cam lock by pushing the lever towards the shaft



#### Attach control box

### WARNING

**PINCH POINTS - CONTROL BOX** 



Take care when sliding the control box onto the chassis and when operating the control box latch.

 Slide the control box partly onto the upper shaft. When it reaches half way it will click into place to prevent the control box from sliding while the connectors are fitted.



- **1.** Attach the coil and control panel cables to their respective connectors, and firmly tighten the retaining rings.
- **2.** Slide the control box further along the upper shaft until it locks into place.

#### Attach battery and headphone module

It is a good idea to go detecting with a fully charged battery. See page 6 for information on how to recharge the GPZ 7000 battery.

1. Fit the battery pack onto the control box and close the latches to secure it in place.





**2.** Fit the headphone module onto the control box. Use a screwdriver or coin to gently tighten the bolt taking care not to damage the thread by over-tightening.



#### **Attach Armrest**

1. Lift the armrest lock until it is fully open. Slide the armrest onto the rail on top of the chassis. Ensure that the sloping sides of the armrest face toward the control panel.



- 2. Hold the detector as if detecting and slide the armrest along the rail until it is positioned comfortably just below your elbow.
- **3.** Remove your arm from the armrest and push down the armrest lock to secure the armrest in position.



#### Adjust Armrest Strap

- 1. Undo the hook and loop armrest strap.
- **2.** Tighten the strap until your arm is secure in the armrest, and fasten.

#### TIP

To fit a smaller arm, the strap can be fitted upside down and passed through the armrest three times.



# **Connecting Headphones**

The headphones can be connected directly to the detector or to the WM 12.

It is recommended that the WM 12 is used to generate audio.

# WM 12 Audio

To generate audio via the WM 12, Plug the headphone connector into the WM 12 headphone socket. The WM 12 must be paired with the detector to hear audio (*page 21*).



#### NOTE

The WM 12 can be used without headphones, as it has an in-built speaker. More information on the WM 12 on page 30.



# Detector Audio

Alternatively, you can connect headphones directly to the detector. To do this, plug the headphone connector into the socket on the headphone module at the rear of the detector.

If using waterproof accessory headphones, you will need to remove the headphone module from the control box and connect the headphones to the exposed headphone socket, remembering to tighten the retaining rings

# **Changing Coils**

A range of accessory coils are available for your GPZ 7000. To change a coil, follow the 'Assembling the detector' steps with the alternative coil.

Always check that the coil connector is dry and free of grit and dust before connecting to the detector.

### NOTE

All Minelab GPZ 7000 coils come with the lower shaft pre-assembled to the coil. Disassembling a coil from its lower shaft is not recommended.



# Swing Arm

# Harness and Extras

# **Charging Batteries**

# BC 10 Battery Charger

**WARNING:** Do not immerse the BC 10 charger in any liquid or allow water ingress.

The BC 10 Battery Charger is supplied with your detector and is used to recharge the Li-Ion battery pack. The BC 10 can be powered by the AC plug pack (100-240V AC), and from typical car (12V) or truck systems (24V), using the cigarette lighter plug cable or direct battery connection cable provided. A USB connection is provided for charging the WM 12 (page 8).



*Plug pack/car charger/12/24V battery terminal connection* 

USB connection

Two bi-colour LED indicators located on the front panel provide battery charge and power status information.



BC 10 front panel

# Battery LED

	OFF	No battery plugged into charger
∳ ب	Slow flashing green	Battery is charging, normal operation
1 🔅	Fast flashing red	Charger error detected
• 🗸	Steady on green	Battery is fully charged

#### Power LED

ს 🌑	OFF	No input power, charger is OFF
💿 (ሀ	Steady on green	Correct input voltage, charger is ON, normal operation
1 🔅	Fast flashing red	Incorrect input voltage, charger may not operate <sup>†</sup>
• 🔨	Steady on green	Battery is fully charged

+ For input voltages between 11 and 12 V DC, the charger will still operate however the battery will take longer to charge if the battery LED is flashing green.

# GPZ 7000 Battery

The GPZ 7000 standard pack is supplied with a sealed rechargeable Lithium-Ion (Li-Ion) smart battery. This battery pack is supplied partially charged and should be charged for up to eight hours to maximise your first use. The detector will operate for up to eight hours using the Li-Ion battery pack.

#### NOTE

For best results, the battery pack must be recharged whenever the detector has been unused for a long period of time.



A battery icon displayed on the Control Panel Status Bar (page 10) indicates the present charge level, and provides advanced warning of the need to recharge or replace the battery. The battery charge level is displayed in five segments, which will gradually decrease during operation relative to the voltage left in the battery. When the last segment disappears, the 'empty battery' icon will begin to flash and the battery low sound will emit every 20 seconds. If the detector is still operating at this time the voltage will drop to a point when a 'low battery' message will appear and the detector will turn itself off.

#### NOTE

The detector regulates the output voltage so that its performance remains constant regardless of the charge remaining in the batteries. **i** 

# Recharge the Lithium-Ion Battery Pack

**1.** Remove the battery pack from the detector and place it into the charger unit, ensuring that the connector pins line up.



2. Insert the plug pack, cigarette lighter or direct connection battery cable connector into the socket on the right hand side of the charger unit.



**3.** Plug the other end of the cable into the wall socket or car cigarette lighter socket and turn on the switch. If using the direct battery connection cable first attach the black negative (-) clip to the negative (-) battery terminal, and then the red positive (+) clip to the positive (+) battery terminal.

Leave the unit to fully recharge.

The green indicator light will stop flashing and remain static when the battery is fully charged (up to four hours).

#### WARNING

The direct battery connection cable must only be used with 12V/24V vehicle batteries.



# WM 12 Battery

The WM 12 contains a rechargeable Li-lon battery, which can be charged by the Li-lon battery charger or a standard USB port.

Taking a fully charged WM 12 with you each time you go detecting is recommended.

For information on checking the charge status of the WM 12 battery see page 10.

### Recharge the WM 12

- 1. Connect the supplied USB cable to the WM 12.
- **2.** Connect the other end of the USB cable to the BC 10 battery charger or directly to a USB port on your PC.



# **Control Panel**

#### **Power Button**

Press to turn the GPZ 7000 On/Off

Press and hold from Off to access the Reset menu (page 24)

# GPZ 7000 Page and Back Button

#### Page

Press to access the Detector Settings Pages to change the settings of your detector (page 11)

#### Back

Press to return to the previous screen

Press and hold to return to the first page in the menu.





#### Trigger

Press to activate the Quick-Trak function.

In Manual Mode, press to activate the Ground Balance function.

# GPZ 7000 User Interface

# **Typical Screen Elements**

The GPZ 7000 graphical user interface (GUI) displays all detection information and detector settings options via the control panel.

A typical screen contains the following:

- Status Bar See "Status Bar Elements" on page 10 for detailed information.
- **Page Icons** A row of icons directly below the Status Bar represent pages within a menu. A white box appears around the current Page.
- **Items** A blue rectangle containing a white icon. Each Item represents a detector function that can be modified.
- Items Status A red circle containing a white icon displays the current setting/selection for the Item it represents.
- Item Description A text description of the current highlighted Item.



The parts of a typical GPZ 7000 page screen.

# Status Bar Elements

The Status Bar is displayed at the top of all screens and provides status information for the following functions:

- WM 12 Headphone connection\*
- WM 12 connectivity\*
- WM 12 battery level\*
- GPS
- GeoHunt status
- Backlight
- Detector battery level
- \* The Status Bar will only display information about the Master WM 12.

Each function is represented by an icon. The icon can vary or may disappear as the state of each function changes. For further details on the status bar icons and their various states refer to the summary table.



Status Bar elements

#### Summary of Status Bar icons

Headphones	Not Con No in	inected	Dete Headp Conn No i	ector hones ected con	WN Headr Conr	A 12 phones nected
Wireless	O' No i	ff con	On, Conn (flash	Not ected ning)	On Conr	and nected
WM 12 Battery	100%	80%	60%	40%	20%	Empty
GPS	O No i	ff con	On, N (flash	lo Fix	On an	d Fixed



#### Summary of Status Bar icons

# Types of Selection Screens

When you select an Item on a page, the options relating to that Item will appear. These options will be adjustable via one of the following selection screens:

- Adjustment bar
- Selection box
- Selection list
- Selection check-box

#### Adjustment Bar

A bar with incremental steps that can be increased (right arrow button) or decreased (left arrow button). Increases and decreases occur in real-time and any changes take immediate effect.



Example of an adjustment bar

#### Selection Box

Select one of the available options. The selected option will take effect once the Select button is pressed. The red status dot on the item updates to display information about the selected option



Example of a selection box

#### Selection List

Select an option from a list. Your selected option will take effect once the Select button is pressed.

Preferences	Time Zone	4/7
トドキ	UTC -12:00	• 1
	UTC -11:30	
	UTC -11:00	
	UTC -10:30	
(cm)	UTC -10:00	)
	UTC -9:30	
Tin		

Example of a selection list

#### Selection Check-box

Allows only one item to be selected. A check mark will appear in the Item Status circle to show which Item is currently assigned.



Example of a selection check-box

# **Menu Navigation**

The GPZ 7000 GUI has two main menus:

- Detector Settings Menu where you can access all Detector Settings Pages
- Map Menu- where you can access all Map Pages

Each menu can be directly accessed from any other menu by pressing the appropriate control button.

The Detector Settings and Map menus provide you with access to all GPZ 7000 functions and settings.

In each menu, use the up, down, left and right arrow buttons to move between the pages and page Items. Press the Select button to activate the highlighted Item.



# Navigating the Detector Settings Pages



The Page button

Access the Detector Settings Pages at any time by pressing the Page button. This will take you to the first Detector Settings page (Detect).

Pressing the Page button will cycle through the Detector Settings Pages. Pressing the Page button when you are on the last page will return you to the first page.



Cycling through Detector Settings Pages.

You can also return to the first Detector Settings page (Detect) by pressing and holding the Back button.

Use the Page button to access the detector Settings

Pages. The detector settings are grouped into six pages:

- Detect
- Detect Plus
- Settings
- Preferences
- User Button
- Reset

For further information on the Detector Settings Menu, see page 16.

### Navigating the Map Pages



The Map button

Access the Map Pages at any time by pressing the Map button. This will take you to the first page in the Map Menu, (Map). The Map functions are grouped into four pages:

- Map
- GeoStore
- Display
- Create GeoData

Pressing the Map button will cycle through the Map Pages. Pressing the Map button when you are on the last page will return you to the first page.



Cycling through Map Pages.

You can also return to the first Map page (Map) by pressing and holding the Back button.

For further information on the Map Menu, see page 25.



# Мар

Access the Map at any time by pressing the Map button.



The Map button

The Map displays FindPoints, WayPoints, GeoHunts and GeoTrails in their relative geographic locations. It represents a default map dimension of 100 yards (or metres) in the east-west horizontal direction and 80 yards (or metres) in the north-south vertical direction.

The map displays north-south and east-west grid lines, centred on your current location. The distance between the grid lines will depend on your current zoom level (*page 14*). The upper horizontal edge of the screen display will represent north irrespective of the detector orientation.

At the top of the Map is the Status Bar, which displays information about the current detector settings (page 10).



Example Map screen

Use the Map to:

- View your current location and GPS coordinates
- View your GeoTrail, WayPoints, FindPoints and GeoHunts
- Navigate to a location
- View the status of the detector

For further information on the Map, see page 13.

# GPS

The Global Positioning System (GPS) is a space-based satellite navigation system that provides location and time information from any location where there is an unobstructed line of sight to four or more GPS satellites.

The location and navigational elements of the Map work in conjunction with the Global Positioning System (GPS). By default the GPS receiver is turned off and must be turned on through the Setting page (*page 21*). Once GPS is turned on a flashing GPS icon will appear on the Status Bar. When an absolute position fix has been established (which may take several minutes), the GPS icon on the Status Bar will stop flashing and remain static.

On entering the Map a marker will be displayed at the centre of the screen to represent your initial start location. If there is a valid GPS position fix, movement will be displayed on the Map as a series of dots that form a GeoTrail.

On the GPZ 7000, GPS provides the capability to store location data relating to FindPoints and WayPoints, and to record GeoHunts. By default GPS is turned off and must be turned on through via Settings page (*page 21*).

#### NOTE

If there is no WayPoint, FindPoint or GeoHunt near the current location, the Map may be blank.



# **Map Elements**

The content of the Map will vary according to its current state and your user preferences. The Map can display the following elements:

- Zoom Level
- Start Trail
- Current Position
- FindPoints and WayPoints
- GeoTrail
- GeoHunt
- North Marker
- Coordinates



Map showing all content elements

The following Map elements are optional and can be controlled via the Display page:

- Navigation Tool (page 15)
- Names of GeoStore items (FindPoints, WayPoints)



Map showing optional elements

For information on how to show and hide optional screen elements, see (*page 28*).

# Zoom Levels

The zoom level indicator is displayed at the top left of the Map. It indicates the current size of the grid square in yards or metres ( $10 \times 10$ ,  $20 \times 20$  or  $100 \times 100$ ).

To adjust the zoom level, press the Map button to navigate to the GeoStore page, then select Map Zoom. Select your preferred zoom level from the selection box (10, 20 or 100), then press Select.

#### Start Trail



On entering the map a marker will be displayed at the centre of the screen to represent your initial start location.

#### **Current Position**



The current position marker displays your location on the Map.

# FindPoints and WayPoints

FindPoints and WayPoints are displayed on the Map to indicate find locations and points of interest. They will be displayed at a consistent size regardless of the zoom level, but those in close proximity will be overlapped. By default FindPoints and WayPoints are displayed with their names, but if space is limited the names can be hidden (page 28).

#### FindPoint



A FindPoint stores the location and details of a target. When you choose to store a FindPoint *(page 29),* the GPZ 7000 stores the following information:

- Location (Latitude/Longitude)
- Time and date
- Detector settings and coil information
- Depth (Entered by user)
- Weight (Entered by user)

Your FindPoint information can be used for future reference within the detector and with the XChange 2 PC application (*page 31*).

WayPoint



A WayPoint is similar to a FindPoint with the exception that no detector related information is stored. The WayPoint is used to record a point of interest or location to which you may choose

to return in the future. When you choose to store a WayPoint the GPZ 7000 stores the following information:

- Location
- Time and date

You can also create a WayPoint as a navigation point on Google Maps using the XChange 2 PC application (page 31).

# GeoTrail

GeoTrail position information is recorded every second and can be represented on the screen by a series of dots that form a trail. If a GeoTrail is being recorded as part of a GeoHunt, the trail will be maroon, otherwise it will be blue.

# GeoHunts

When the GeoHunt function is active, the GPZ 7000 stores your position information while you are detecting. It allows you to see a map view of the ground you have covered, and records the location, time and detector settings used. FindPoints and WayPoints stored while a GeoHunt is active are displayed and stored with the GeoHunt.

When you activate the GeoHunt function, the GPZ 7000 stores the following information:

- Periodic location (GeoTrail)
- Time
- Detector settings and coil information
- FindPoints and WayPoints

You can upload your GeoHunts to your PC and view them on Google maps using the XChange 2 application (*page 31*).

#### North Marker



The North Marker is displayed at the top right of the screen. It indicates a northerly direction in relation to the detecting trail.

## Coordinates



Latitude/Longitude information for the target is optionally displayed at the bottom right of the Map. The

format of the display can be configured via the Preferences page *(page 22)*.

# Navigation Tool



The Navigation Tool allows you to navigate to a WayPoint, FindPoint or the start or end point of a GeoHunt.

With the Navigation Tool turned on (page 28), select an object to be

navigated to from the GeoStore (*page 26*) and a Destination icon will appear on the Map. The Navigation Tool will help you navigate by displaying the distance and direction to your destination.

The Destination icon will only appear when the Navigation Tool is turned on. To turn off the Destination icon you need to turn off the Navigation Tool.

# **Detector Settings Menu**

# **Detector Settings Menu Structure**

All functions and settings are grouped into six pages:

- Detect
- Detect Plus
- Settings
- Preferences
- User Button
- Reset

The following overviews provide a quick reference guide to each page. More detailed information is provided from page 17 to page 24.

### **Detect Page Overview**

Options	Actions	
Quick Start	Launches wizard	
Target Type	Small Nuggets General Deep Only	
Ground Type	Difficult Normal	
Noise Cancel	Auto Manual	1 to 256
Sensitivity	1 to 20	
Volume	1 to 20	

#### **Detect Plus Page Overview**

Options	Actions
Threshold Level	1 to 50
Volume Limit	1 to 20
Threshold Pitch	1 to 100
Ground Balance Mode	Auto Manual

# Settings Page Overview

Options	Actions
GPS	Off On Enhanced
Backlight	Off On Auto (20 sec)
Backlight Brightness	1 to 10
Wireless Enable	Off On

# Settings Page Overview

Connect WM 12	Wizard
Connect Additional WM 12	Wizard

### Preferences Page Overview

Options	Actions
Time Zone	-12:00 to +12:00 (30 minute increments)
Time Format	12 hour 24 hour
Location Format	DMS DM
Length Units	cm / m inches / yards
Weight Units	Troy Ounces Grams Grains
Wizards	On Off

### User Button Page Overview

Options	Actions
Backlight	
View Navigational Tool	
View Coordinates	
Snapshot	
Other	

#### **Reset Page Overview**

Options	Actions	
Reset GeoStore		
Reset Settings		
Reset All		
Language	English Spanish Portuguese	French Russian Arabic
Product Verification Code		
Version Information		



The Detect page contains all of the primary detecting functions:

- Quick Start
- Target Type
- Ground Type
- Noise Cancel
- Sensitivity
- Volume

# **Quick Start**

Quick Start offers minimal setting adjustment, ideal for beginner users. When Quick Start is selected, the Quick Start wizard is launched. This will guide you through the Quick Start process to get you detecting quickly and easily.

# Target Type

The Target Type function allows you to optimise your detector to search for specific target types.

The available options are:

- Small Nuggets (Default)
- General
- Deep Only

#### Small Nuggets

This setting is ideal for searching for nuggets between 0.1 and 10 grams and also has good performance for detecting larger nuggets in shallow ground. This setting utilises new technology in the GPZ 7000 which provides a substantial performance increase over existing metal detectors in detecting smaller nuggets that others have missed.

#### General

This setting provides good all round performance in detecting nuggets of all sizes and at all depths.

# Deep Only

This setting is specifically designed for searching for deeply buried targets. Deep targets produce complex and subtle audio responses, and as such this setting should only be used by highly skilled operators. Shallow targets will not present well on this setting when compared to the 'Small Nuggets' or 'General' settings. *This setting is not recommended for general use*.

When changing the Target Type setting, the threshold tone will become silent for approximately one second once a new setting is selected.

# Ground Type

When detecting in ground with high levels of iron mineralisation, movement of the detector over the ground can produce false target signals. These unwanted target signals are known as ground noise. The GPZ 7000 detector has been designed to remove unwanted ground noise. The Ground Type setting controls the amount of unwanted ground noise that the detector will remove from the audio.

The available options are:

- Difficult (Default)
- Normal

# Difficult

This setting is recommended as gold is usually found in areas with high levels of iron mineralisation.

#### Normal

This setting should only be used in areas where the ground is known to be 'quiet' ground. If unwanted ground noise is heard while operating in the 'Normal' setting, the operator should change to the 'Difficult' setting.

When changing the Ground Type setting, the threshold tone will become silent for approximately one second once a new setting is selected.

# **Noise Cancel**

The Noise Cancel function allows you to eliminate electromagnetic interference (EMI) or 'noise' from the detector.

The GPZ 7000 may become noisy due to electrical interference from power lines, electrical equipment or other detectors operating close by. The detector interprets this interference as inconsistent, erratic detections.

The available options are:

- Auto (Default)
- Manual

#### Auto Noise Cancel

Auto Noise Cancel automatically scans and listens to every channel, and selects the one with least interference. Auto is the recommended setting.

1. Make sure there are no large targets or obvious sources of EMI close by, then raise the detector coil until the detector shafts are horizontal to the ground.



- **2.** Select the Noise Cancel icon then Auto to initiate Auto Noise Cancel.
- **3.** Automatic channel selection will commence. Keep the detector still during the selection process, which may take up to 55 seconds. Press the back button to terminate Noise Cancel at any time. The screen will indicate when the Noise Cancel is complete.

#### Manual Noise Cancel

The Manual setting allows you to manually select and listen to each channel for the least interference.

To manually adjust Noise Cancel:

- 1. Make sure there are no large targets or obvious sources of EMI close by, then raise the detector coil until the detector shafts are horizontal to the ground.
- 2. Select the Noise Cancel icon, then select Manual.
- **3.** Press the left or right arrow buttons to select a channel. Pause and listen to the interference coming from the detector. Keep the detector still during this process.

Once the channel with the least interference has been found, press the Select button exit the menu.

# Sensitivity

Sensitivity controls the detector's response to received signals. These signals can include desirable signals from nearby metal, as well as undesirable signals from electronic noise, and noise due to ground response. Increasing the sensitivity level may make targets more detectable but may also increase detector noise due to these noise influences.

You can adjust the sensitivity setting to your desired level.

#### Adjust Sensitivity Settings

Select Sensitivity on the Detect page. An adjustment range from 1 to 20 will appear. Use the left and right arrow buttons to increase or decrease the Sensitivity; the threshold tone will become silent for approximately one second with each press. Press Select when done.

# Volume

Range: 1–20 Factory Preset: 8

Volume controls the amplification of a target's audio response, relative to the target signal strength. This audio setting is most similar to volume adjustments in other devices (e.g. radio or television volume controls).

With a setting of 1 the target signal will not be amplified. Weak target signals will sound quiet, medium target signals will sound mid-range and strong target signals will sound loud. There will be greater differentiation between target signal strengths; however, weak signals will be harder to hear.

With a setting of 20, all target signals will be amplified to a loud audio response. At this setting there will be less differentiation between medium and strong signals, but weak target signals will be easier to hear.



The Detect Plus page contains settings for the detector's headphones, wireless speaker, wireless headphones, and Ground Balance functions.

The available Items are:

- Threshold Level
- Volume Limit
- Threshold Pitch
- Ground Balance Mode

# **Threshold Level**

Range: 1–50 Factory Preset: 30

The constant background 'hum' produced by the detector is called the Threshold. Variations in the Threshold help you to hear very small and deep targets.

The Threshold is controlled by Threshold Level and Threshold Pitch. The correct adjustment of both Threshold settings will depend on your hearing and environmental noise such as wind, waves and machinery.



Adjust the Threshold Level to a faint, audible hum. This will highlight variations in signal response which may indicate the presence of a target. If the soil conditions change the Threshold Level may need adjustment.



If the Threshold Level is too high, faint targets will be harder to hear above the Threshold 'hum'.

If the Threshold Level is too low, the slight variation caused by a small or deep target may not be sufficient to hear. Adjusting the level to below an audible level will ensure silent operation but could mask the audio response from small or deep targets.



# Volume Limit

Range: 1–20 Factory Preset: 12

The Volume Limit sets the maximum volume for target signals. When detecting, the sound produced by a target can be very loud. Adjust the Volume Limit to ensure that loud targets do not hurt your ears.

#### NOTE

A high Volume Limit will allow a greater difference between a small and large target.



A low Volume Limit will reduce the volume difference between small and large targets.





# **Threshold Pitch**

Range: 1–100 Factory Preset: 50

Threshold Pitch allows you to adjust the pitch of the Threshold tone. Hearing will vary between individuals, so adjust the Threshold Pitch to a level that is comfortable for your hearing.

# Ground-Balance Mode

The Ground Balance Mode setting allows you to select the method for balancing out unwanted ground noise.

The available options are:

- Auto (recommended)
- Manual

#### Auto

Auto is the recommended setting for Ground Balance Mode. Auto ground balance automatically measures the ground mineralisation levels and adjusts the ground balance as necessary to maintain stability and detection depth.

In Auto mode the ground balance will automatically stabilise, after power on or a settings change, within 10 to 15 seconds of normal detecting. Optionally, the Quick-Trak function can be used to speed up the automatic balancing process.

#### Performing a Quick-Trak

- 1. Find a metal free location, near to the area being detected, where the detector can be swung back and forth repeatedly over the same ground.
- 2. While swinging the detector back and forth over the same ground, press and hold the trigger button.
- **3.** A wizard animation will appear on the screen to demonstrate the required action. The wizard can be turned off via Wizards on the Preferences Page.
- **4.** Audio will provide feedback during the Quick-Trak process. The audio response from moving the coil over the ground should quickly reduce. Once the audio response has stabilised, release the trigger to complete the Quick-Trak operation.

The Quick-Trak operation can be repeated as required.

#### Manual

When set to Manual Ground Balance Mode, the detector will not automatically maintain ground balance. When using manual mode you must regularly perform a Quick-Trak to maintain an accurate ground balance.

#### NOTE

For best Quick-Trak results, swing at a steady rate, keeping the coil as close to the ground as possible without touching the ground.





The Settings page is where you can select and edit the following detector settings:

- GPS
- Backlight
- Wireless Connectivity

# GPS

GPS has the following options:

- Off
- On
- Enhanced

GPS must be 'On' before GPS features can be used.

The Enhanced setting turns on the Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS), which improves GPS accuracy. This setting must only be selected in locations where SBAS (or Wide Area Augmentation System) is available.

#### NOTE

Once GPS is enabled, it may take several minutes before good fix quality is achieved.



# Backlight

The Backlight settings are only available when the Backlight is not controlled by the User Button.

The options are:

- Off Backlight is always off (Default)
- On Backlight is always on
- 20 Seconds Backlight turns on when any button is pressed and automatically turns off after 20 seconds

# **Backlight Brightness**

Backlight brightness canv be set in single increments ranging from 1 to 10.

# Wireless Enable

Wireless Enable turns the wireless audio on and off. Wireless Enable must be 'On' in order to use your GPZ 7000 with a WM 12.

# Connect WM 12

To pair a WM 12, Select Connect WM 12 and then follow the instructions displayed by the wizard.

The Connect WM 12 wizard will be displayed even if wizards have been turned 'Off'.

# Connect Additional WM 12

The Connect Additional WM 12 function is used to pair additional WM 12's that receive audio from the GPZ 7000. This allows you to use more than one WM 12 with your detector.

# Pairing an Additional WM 12

To pair an additional WM 12, select Connect Additional WM 12 and then follow the instructions displayed by the wizard.

Note: The Connect Additional WM 12 wizard will be displayed even if wizards have been turned 'Off'.

# Removing Additional WM 12's

To remove all additional WM 12's, re-pair the primary WM 12 using the Connect WM 12 function.

#### NOTE

Additional connected WM 12's will not generate audio if the primary WM 12 is not connected.

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The Preferences page displays the following Items:

- Time Zone
- Time Format
- Coordinates Format
- Length Units
- Weight Units
- Wizards

### Time Zone

Time Zone is based on Universal Coordinated Time (UTC), and options range from UTC - 12:00 to UTC + 14:00, increasing in 30 minute increments.

# **Time Format**

Time can be displayed in either 12 hour or 24 hour format.

# **Coordinates Format**

The Coordinates Format provides the conversion of latitude and longitude coordinates. There are two available options:

- DMS Degrees°minute'seconds" (e.g. 40° 45′ 3.6" N 73° 59′ 0.24" W)
- DM Degrees°minute.decimal' (e.g. 40° 45.06 , -73° 59.004')

# Length Units

Length Units can be configured to inches and yards or centimetres and metres (default) and represent units of measure for depth, the map and navigation.

# Weight Units

Weight Units can be configured to troy ounce (default), gram and grain, and can represent units of measure for weight of stored FindPoints.

#### Wizards

Wizards Allows you to turn on or off the Start-up and Ground Balance Wizards. The Connect WM 12 and Connect Additional WM 12 wizards remain at all times.

# **R** User Button

This page allows you to assign the function of the User Button.



The User Button

The purpose of the User button is to provide easy access to your favorite functions. There are a wide choice of functions that can be assigned to the User button, and once a function has been assigned, it will be activated each time the button is pressed. By default, pressing the User button will activate the Backlight.

The available User button functions are:

- Backlight (default)
- View Coordinates
- View Navigation Tool
- Threshold Level
- Ground Balance Mode
- Other

# Assign a Function to the User Button

- **1.** Navigate to the User Button page in the Detector Settings menu.
- **2.** Use the arrow buttons to highlight the desired item and press Select. A check mark will appear in the item status circle of the selected item.

The selected function will be assigned to the User Button. That function will be activated each time the User Button is pressed.

# **User Button Functions**

#### Backlight

Backlight is the default function assigned to the User Button; press to toggle the backlight on and off.

If the backlight is not controlled by the User Button, it will automatically activate on pressing a button as determined by backlight settings on the Preferences page (*page 21*).

#### **View Coordinates**

Press the User Button to toggle the Latitude/Longitude coordinates on and off.

#### **View Navigation Tool**

Press the User Button to toggle the Navigation Tool on and off.

#### **Threshold Level**

Press the User Button to display the Threshold Level adjustment range screen. The Threshold can then be increased or decreased using the left and right arrow buttons.

#### Ground Balance Mode

Press the User button to display the Ground Balance Mode settings.

#### Other

Select Other to display a broader choice of functions to assign to the User Button. A selection list will appear with the following options:

- Target Size
- Threshold Level
- Noise Cancel
- Sensitivity
- Wireless Enable
- Connect WM 12
- Connect Additional
   WM 12
- Navigation Tool
- Ground Type
- Volume Limit
- Map Zoom
- View Names
- Noise Cancel
- Threshold Pitch
- List FindPoints

- View Coordinates
- Noise Cancel Auto
- GPS
- List WayPoints
- Create FindPoint
- Backlight Brightness
- List GeoHunts
- Create WayPoint
- Backlight Brightness
- Recentre
- Start GeoHunt
- Clear GeoTrail
- View GeoTrail
- Stop GeoHunt
- Volume Gain
- Pause GeoHunt



The GPZ 7000 is delivered in its factory preset state and any changes made to the detector's settings are saved automatically. These settings will remain until you manually change or reset them via the Reset page. The Reset page also contains information about your detectors' current software version, and product authentication.

Access the Reset page via the Detector Settings menu, or by pressing and holding the On/Off button when the detector is turned off.

The Reset page will be displayed with the following Items:

- Reset GeoStore
- Reset Settings
- Reset All
- Language
- Product Authentication Code
- Version Information

#### **Reset GeoStore**

Select the Reset GeoStore option to clear the contents from the GeoStore. All FindPoints, WayPoints and GeoHunts will be deleted.

When the GeoStore has been cleared a confirmation message will be displayed.

# **Reset Settings**

Select the Reset Settings option to clear all user settings and delete user search modes. Information in the GeoStore (FindPoints, WayPoints, GeoHunts) will not be affected.

When the settings have been cleared a confirmation message will be displayed.

# **Reset All**

Select the Reset All option to return all settings to their factory preset levels, delete all search modes and empty the GeoStore.

When Reset All has been completed the detector will reboot. When start-up is complete the detector will prompt you to select your language, weight units, length units, and time zone before displaying the Detect screen.

### Language

The GPZ 7000 Graphical User Interface (GUI) can be displayed in one of six different languages (default English). You will be prompted to select the detector language on initial startup, and when the detector reboots following a Reset All. The language can also be changed at any time.

#### Change the Language

To change the language, select the Language icon on the Reset page then choose from one of the following languages:

- English
- Spanish
- Portuguese
- French
- Russian
- Arabic

# **Product Verification Code**

Generates an authentication code to verify your detector is a genuine Minelab product.

# **Version Information**

Displays the detectors' current software version and hardware information.

# Map Menu

# Map Menu Structure

All functions and settings are grouped into four pages:

- Map
- GeoStore
- Display
- Create GeoData

The following overviews provide a quick reference guide to each page. more detailed information is provided from page 26 to page 28.

#### Map Overview

Displays detecting activity and information on a map via GPS. See detailed information about the Map and its elements on page 13

# GeoStore Page Overview

Options	Sort Options	Actions
Map Zoom		10 20 100
FindPoints	Proximity Time Alphabetical	Go to View/Edit Delete
GeoHunts	Proximity Time Alphabetical	Go to start Go to end Delete
WayPoints	Proximity Time Alphabetical	Go to View Delete

#### **Display Page Overview**

Options	Actions
Recentre	
Clear Trail	
View Trail	Off On
Navigation Tool	Off On
View Names	Off On
Coordinate View	Off On

# Create GeoData Page Overview

Options:		
Create FindPoint		
Create WayPoint		
Start GeoHunt		
Stop GeoHunt		
Pause GeoHunt		



# GeoStore

The GeoStore page allows you to adjust the zoom levels of the Map, and to store, sort and view up to 100 FindPoints, 100 WayPoints and 10 GeoHunts. Each time you save a FindPoint, WayPoint or GeoHunt, a name is automatically assigned to each item using the following naming convention:

- FindPoint FP001, FP002 to FP100
- WayPoint WP001, WP002 to WP100
- GeoHunt GH01, GH02 to GH10

Names assigned by the detector can be changed using the XChange 2 application. FindPoints and WayPoints can be deleted on the detector, but cannot be edited, except for FindPoint Weight and Depth.

# Open the GeoStore Menu

#### NOTE



GPS must be enabled and a valid GPS position fix established before using the GeoStore menu.

- 1. Navigate to the GeoStore page in the Map menu.
- **2.** The GeoStore page will be displayed with the following options:
  - Map Zoom
  - FindPoints
  - GeoHunts
  - WayPoints

# Map Zoom

Three zoom levels are available for viewing the Map:

- 10 (10 x 10 yards/metres per cell)
- 20 (20 x 20 yards/metres per cell (default))
- 100 (100 x 100 yards/metres per cell)

# Sort FindPoints/WayPoints

1. From the GeoStore page, use the arrow buttons to highlight FindPoints or WayPoints and press Select.

- 2. To sort the list, select the first option in the list 'Sort'.
- **3.** The Sort selection box will be displayed with the following options:
  - Proximity (from your current location)
  - Time
  - Name (alphabetically)
- **4.** Use the arrow buttons to navigate to your preferred sort mode and press Select.

The sorted list will be displayed.

# Go to a FindPoint or WayPoint

- 1. Display the sorted list for your preferred option (*FindPoints or WayPoints*).
- 2. Use the arrow buttons to highlight the name of the item you want to 'go to' and press Select.

The FindPoints or WayPoints selection box will be displayed with the following options:

- Go to
- View/Edit (Edit FindPoint only)
- Delete
- 3. By default the 'Go to' option will be highlighted.
- 4. Press Select.
- 5. Turn on the Navigation Tool (page 28)

The Map will be displayed showing a Destination icon, which represents your selected FindPoint or WayPoint. The Navigation Tool will indicate the direction and distance to your destination.

#### NOTE

The Destination Icon only appears when the Navigation Tool is turned on.



# Go to Start/End of a GeoHunt

- 1. From the GeoStore page, select GeoHunts. The selection box will be displayed with the following options:
  - Go to start
  - Go to end
  - Delete
- **2.** Use the arrow buttons to highlight your required option and press Select.

# Delete a GeoStore Item

Individual FindPoints, WayPoints and GeoHunts can be deleted from the GeoStore. To delete a GeoStore item:

- **1.** From the GeoStore page, use the arrow buttons to highlight your preferred option and press Select
- **2.** The selection box will be displayed with the following options:
  - Go to
  - View
  - Delete
- Use the arrow buttons to highlight the Delete option and press Select.
   Your item will be deleted and a confirmation

Your item will be deleted and a confirmation message will be displayed.



The Display page is where you control which elements you want to appear on the Map.

The Display page will be shown with the following Items:

- Recentre
- Clear Trail
- View Trail
- View Navigation Tool
- View Names
- View Coordinates

# Open the Display Page

To open the Display page from the Map, press the Map button three times.

# Show or Hide Map Screen Elements

- 1. Open the display page.
- 2. Use the arrow buttons to navigate through the Items and press Select on the items you want to show/ hide.
- **3.** Select on/off from the selection box.
- **4.** Press the Map button two times to return to the Map. Map elements will now be visible or hidden according to your settings.

#### Recentre

Recentre will place your current position at the centre of the Map.

# **Clear Trail**

Clear Trail will remove the current GeoTrail from the Map.

# **View Trail**

View GeoTrail will show or hide the current GeoTrail on the Map.

# **View Navigation Tool**

View Navigation Tool will show or hide the Navigation Tool on the Map.

# **View Names**

View Names will show or hide the names of all FindPoints and WayPoints displayed on the Map. By default, View Names is 'On', but names can be hidden to save space when many items are displayed on the Map at once.

# **View Coordinates**

View Coordinates will show or hide the Coordinates label on the Map.



Press the Store button to create and store FindPoints, WayPoints and to control a GeoHunt.

The available Items are:

- Create FindPoint
- Create WayPoint
- Start GeoHunt
- Stop GeoHunt
- Pause GeoHunt

#### NOTE



A valid GPS position fix is required to use the Store button functions.

# Create and Store FindPoints and WayPoints

- **1.** Press the Store button to display the Create GeoData page.
- 2. Use the arrow buttons to highlight Create FindPoint or Create WayPoint and press Select to display the following:
  - Name of item
  - Option to Save
  - Depth Entry
  - Weight Entry
  - Lat-Long coordinates of item
- **3.** Press the Select button to save. A confirmation message will be displayed providing the name of the saved item. After a few seconds the message will disappear and you will be returned to the Map.

# Control a GeoHunt

#### Record a GeoHunt:

- 1. Press the Store button to display the GeoData page.
- **2.** Use the arrow buttons to highlight Start GeoHunt and press Select.

**3.** The detector will record your detecting activities until you pause or stop the GeoHunt. The Record GeoHunt icon will replace the GPS icon in the Status Bar and your movements will be displayed on the Map as a maroon coloured GeoTrail.

#### Pause a GeoHunt:

- 1. Press the Store button to display the GeoData page.
- **2.** Use the arrow buttons to highlight Pause GeoHunt and press Select.
- **3.** The GPZ 7000 will temporarily cease recording your detecting activities and the Pause GeoHunt icon will be displayed in the Status Bar.

#### Stop a GeoHunt:

- 1. Press the Store button to display the GeoHunt page.
- **2.** Use the arrow buttons to highlight Stop GeoHunt and press Select.
- **3.** The GPZ 7000 will cease recording your detecting activities and the GPS icon will be displayed in the Status Bar. The stored GeoHunt can be transferred to the XChange 2 PC application for display, editing and storage, or to help plan your next hunt.

# Loss of Power during a GeoHunt

In the event of the detector powering down or being plugged into a PC while you are recording or have paused a GeoHunt, the GeoHunt will stop and the logging of data will cease.

#### Loss of GPS Position Fix during a GeoHunt

In the event of a GPS position fix not being available, the GeoHunt status bar icon will flash. The GeoTrail location dots will not be displayed, and the logging of data will cease temporarily (it will continue automatically once a position fix becomes available).

If the detector's internal memory becomes full, the GPZ 7000 will stop recording and an alert message will be displayed.

# **Wireless Audio Module**

The Wireless Audio Module (WM 12) facilitates the use of wireless audio, using advanced WiStream technology to achieve clear sound with no perceivable time delay.

It contains an internal loudspeaker and ¼" headphone socket for use with your choice of headphones. It can be used with the attached belt clip or simply dropped into your pocket.

The WM 12 operates on a single selectable RF channel in a global license-free location of the radio spectrum. The WM 12 has 14 channels, which allows multiple detectors to be used within the same vicinity without degraded performance.



Connect the WM 12

Ensure that your WM 12 battery is fully charged before you go detecting. For instructions on how to charge your WM 12, see "Recharge the WM 12" on page 8.

It is only necessary to perform the connection procedure once. After initial connection the detector and WM 12 will connect automatically when the WM 12 is turned on. To connect the WM 12 to your detector, navigate to 'Connect WM 12' in the Settings menu and select it to launch a wizard that will guide you through the connection process.

During the wizard, a channel will be automatically chosen and displayed. To adjust the channel, press the left or right arrow keys to decrease or increase the channel, which is displayed on the screen. Press the Select button to confirm the channel.



Connect WM 12 wizard showing channel selection function

Once wireless is enabled and the WM 12 is connected, all audio is expected to be generated by the WM 12 even if it is turned off. Disable wireless to return audio to the detector.

Use the Wireless Enable function on the Settings page on your detector to enable or disable the Wireless function (page 21).

#### NOTES

The WM 12 Pairing LED may blink red occasionally when the WM 12 appears to be working correctly. This indicates a deterioration in radio communications and is for information only.

# Reset the WM 12

If you experience any difficulties with your WM 12, reset the device by using a paper clip to press the reset button.

# Minelab XChange 2

# Communicating between GPZ 7000 and your PC

The GPZ 7000 includes a USB connection facility, located on the rear of the control panel. This allows you to connect your GPZ 7000 to a PC and download/upload GPS data and settings.

Using the XChange 2 application you can plot your GPS location data on Google Maps, add photos and comments, rename search modes and GPS data.

# System Requirements

- Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8
- Minimum recommended display resolution of 1366 x 768
- USB port

# Install XChange 2 on your PC

- 1. Insert the CD (included with your GPZ 7000) into the CD/DVD drive of your PC.
- 2. The CD will auto-run once inserted into your PC and the program installation will start.
- **3.** Follow the install prompts to install XChange 2 onto your PC.
- **4.** Once you have installed XChange 2 on your PC you can start the application from either the Start menu or the shortcut on your desktop



XChange2 Desktop icon

# Start the XChange 2 Application

Double click the XChange 2 application icon on your desktop, or open your Start Menu and navigate to: All Programs > Minelab > XChange 2.

# Connect GPZ 7000 to your PC

- 1. Insert one end of the USB cable into your GPZ 7000 and the other end into your PC.
- 2. Start XChange 2 on your PC.
- **3.** Although GPZ 7000's transmitter is switched off while connected to a PC, make sure the coil is not located next to any large metal objects.
- 4. Turn on your GPZ 7000.

A confirmation message will be displayed to indicate that the USB is connected. You can now use XChange 2. Refer to the XChange 2 User Manual supplied on the CD for further information.

#### NOTES

When modifying settings via XChange 2, the modified settings are only applied to the detector when the USB is removed. At this point, the detector checks for changes in the database and applies them. If you turn off the detector instead of unplugging the USB, these settings will not be applied correctly.

Refer to the Help menu in XChange 2 for more information on how to use the application to download, upload and modify your GPZ 7000's settings.

# **Detecting Basics**

# Holding the Detector



Thread your arm through the armrest and strap. Grasp the handle of the detector and rest your forearm in the armrest.

The correct position of the armrest should allow you to comfortably grip the handle. Your elbow should sit just above the back of the armrest and the detector should feel like an extension of your forearm.

# Adjust the Length of the Shafts

The mid shaft can be adjusted to any length between fully extended and fully retracted. Adjust the mid shaft to the correct length and secure the cam lock on the upper shaft to lock the shaft position.

A correct shaft length will allow you to swing the coil over the ground without uncomfortably stretching or stooping. If the coil is too far from your body it will be difficult to balance and manoeuvre while detecting. If the coil is too close to your body it may detect your digging tools or any other metal which you are carrying, causing confusing sounds.

# Adjust the Angle of the Coil

Loosen the bolts that connect the lower shaft to the coil. Note that these bolts are retained and are not designed to be disassembled by the user. The bolts should be loose enough to allow the coil to be moved for adjustment, but tight enough that the coil can hold its position.

While holding the detector as if detecting, lightly press the coil to the ground until it sits flat/parallel with the ground. The coil should remain parallel when lifting to the sweep height, approximately one inch (25 mm) above the ground.

Tighten the bolts just enough to hold its position.

# Sweeping the Coil

#### CAUTION

Sweeping the coil incorrectly can miss targets or generate false signals.



You will obtain the best performance when the coil is swept close and parallel to the ground at all times. This will increase detection depth and improve the response to small objects. Avoid excessive brushing of the coil on the ground.



Though the coil assembly is rigid and durable, sudden jolts or bangs can cause random signals, as well as excessive wear and tear. Careful sweeping will ensure the coil performs to an optimum level at all times.

Practice sweeping the coil over the ground in a side-toside motion while slowly walking forward at the end of each sweep. Slightly overlap the previous sweep to ensure full ground coverage. An average sweep speed is four seconds from left to right to left.



If you are getting signals from a visibly clear patch of ground, there could be buried metal objects. Try finding another area to practice.

# Types of Targets

Metal objects are referred to as targets. Targets are comprised of ferrous and nonferrous metals. Ferrous metals are those containing iron; such as steel, nails and some types of coins. Nonferrous metals are those which are not magnetic, such as gold, silver, copper, bronze and aluminum.

You may wish to find a range of both ferrous and nonferrous targets.

Examples of common targets:

• Desired high ferrous target - war relic

- Undesired high ferrous target iron nail
- Desired nonferrous target gold coin
- Undesired nonferrous target pull-tab
- Desired target gold nugget

# **Detector Sounds**

Turn the detector on. The constant background 'hum' produced by the detector is called the Threshold. Variations in the Threshold allow you to hear very small and deep targets. It is also used to help distinguish between desired and undesired targets.

The detector may also produce false signals (Noise) when not over the ground or with the coil held motionless. These may not be target signals, but surrounding electromagnetic interference (EMI). You can minimise false signals by performing a Noise Cancel (*page 17*), performing a Ground Balance (*page 20*), or by reducing the Sensitivity of the detector (*page 18*). It is generally better to try to reduce false signals by adjusting Noise Cancel and Ground Balance before resorting to reducing the Sensitivity.

Sweep the coil across the targets one at a time. Observe the Detect screen and listen to the sounds of the detector as it passes over each object. The audio response will give you detailed information about the Target.

An audio signal is the sound produced by the detector when a target is detected. Large targets or targets close to the ground surface emit louder signals.

Very large objects close to the coil may overload the detector electronics. When this happens, the detector displays an overload message and emits a fading sound, which repeats until the coil is moved away from the source of the overload. Overloading is not harmful to the electronics of the detector.

It is best to operate the detector only when outdoors and away from sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI) such as power lines and phone towers. These sources may cause the detector to perform erratically, giving false signals. There are also many metallic objects inside a house, such as nails in the floor, reinforcing in the walls, televisions and other household appliances, that might interfere with or overload the electronics of the detector.

It is important to understand the sounds produced when you make a valid or invalid button press. You will usually encounter these sounds while adjusting settings via the main menu. A valid button press makes a 'bip' sound; an invalid button press makes a 'ba-dump' sound.

Each time you turn the detector on, the last screen used before shutting down will appear. For example, if the GPZ 7000 was operating in the Menu screen when turned off, this screen will appear when the detector is turned back on.

# **Detecting Tips and Techniques**

Follow these hints and techniques to help you to utilise the power of your GPZ 7000 detector, to ensure that every trip is a success.

- Metallic targets will usually give a 'solid' sounding signal when the coil is swept across the object from any direction. A metallic target generally produces a short, sharp and mostly symmetrical signal. Ground noises usually give a broad uneven signal when the coil is swept from different directions, and often may only give a signal from one direction and no signal on the return sweep.
- If you are not sure if the sound is ground noise or a target signal you should always investigate. Scrape a shallow hole about 30mm (1") deep over the suspected target. Sweep the coil over the hole at the original ground level. Do not dip the coil into the hole. If the signal has decreased in volume or is less defined it is probably ground noise. If the signal remains the same, or becomes louder, it is likely a metallic target. If you are still not sure make the hole deeper and repeat the process.
- A 'halo effect', which may be built up around a buried metal object, makes the object appear to be larger to the detector than it actually is. This will be reduced once the target is disturbed from its position in the ground (e.g. a small object, detected at a substantial depth, may be more difficult to detect once disturbed from the ground and lying in the loose dirt. If the object is re-buried the 'halo effect' will not be present).
- Do not try to eliminate what might appear to be a faint, isolated ground noise by balancing the detector over the target; you may be 'balancing out' the target response from a deeply buried metallic target. It is better to Ground Balance around the target, without going across it, then switch to Fixed and try Pinpointing.
- Dig all target signals, even in previously detected areas. The GPZ 7000 has superior ground balancing and depth so it is possible to find new targets in well-worked areas where other detectors have been unable to cope with

# **Detecting Basics**

the high degree of mineralisation and/or salt.

- In some mineralised soils a response may be received from a concentration of orange/reddish dyke material or clay. Remember, a metal target will get louder by moving the coil even centimetres closer.
- If detecting areas of extremely variable mineralisation detect along the ground contours rather than across them. This will often stabilise the effect.
- In heavily mineralised areas the operator may need to sweep the coil 10–20 mm (½"–1") above the ground. This should give a more stable Threshold and less ground noise.
- Very sudden or large changes in the mineralisation of an area may produce a signal from the detector. Usually this signal is very broad and often only present in one direction.

# Simple Detecting Exercise

Before attempting to recover real targets, it is important to understand how to interpret the audio and visual signals of the detector.

- **1.** Gather a collection of different metal objects, e.g. various coins, gold and silver jewellery, a nail, pull-tab, brass button and aluminum foil.
- 2. Take the detector outdoors, away from known sources of electromagnetic interferences (EMI) and metal objects.
- **3.** Lay objects in a line, sufficiently spaced apart to allow the coil to pass between them. Pay close attention to the audio signals each different target produces.

# Pinpointing

# Locating the target.

Pinpointing narrows down the location of a buried target, allowing you to determine its exact location before digging.

Accurate pinpointing is important to prevent damage to the buried object, which can significantly reduce it's value.

To find a target, and reduce the size of the hole required to remove it from the ground, it is necessary to pinpoint the exact location of the target.

To pinpoint a detected target sweep the general area with the coil taking note of where the strongest signal is received.

It is important to know that GPZ series coils have two zones where the target signal is strongest. These are marked on the coil as two parrallel lines running from the front of the coil to the back of the coil.



Lines show the strongest signal zones.

By shortening the length of the sweep it should be possible to draw an imaginary line in the ground where the strongest signal is located.

Line up the target at 90° from the initial direction and repeat the process. The object is located where the two imaginary lines cross.



# **Target Recovery**

Once you have pinpointed the target, it is time to recover it. During target recovery, it is important to dig carefully to prevent damage to the buried object, which can significantly reduce it's value.

# It is essential that you carry at least one of the following digging tools with you while detecting:

- A pick with broad scraping blade (essential)
- A crowbar (for very deep objects in hard ground)
- A small, strong digging spade or shovel (for soft soils, sand, etc.)

# **Recovering the Target**

- 1. Clear the area of loose surface material and check that the target signal is still there. If it is not, the target should be amongst the moved surface material.
- **2.** Remember if there are other signals close to your target.

This is important so when you come to dig your hole you do not heap the loose dirt on top of another target already in the ground.

**3.** If the target signal is still present use your pick to dig to a depth of approximately 50mm (2").

Note: When digging, avoid sharp edges to the hole as they can produce false signals, potentially masking the target. Slope the edges of the hole to avoid any problems.

- **4.** Sweep the coil over the hole to determine if the target has been removed. If the target signal is not heard then the target should be in the pile just dug. Otherwise dig a little deeper and check again.
- Start digging approximately 100mm (4") in front of the target to reduce the chance of damaging it. Damaging a coin, relic or gold nugget may reduce its value.
- **6.** If the target signal disappears from the hole sweep the coil over the loose dirt and pinpoint its exact position.
- 7. Take a handful of the dirt and pass it over the coil.

Note: Your hands and wrists must be free of any metallic jewellery and watches when passing dirt over the coil.

**8.** If there is no signal, place the handful carefully in a new pile, pinpoint the position of the target again,

and repeat with another handful of soil.

- **9.** Once the target is in your hand, transfer half of the dirt to the other hand. Test each handful of dirt across the coil.
- **10.** If the target is too small to see drop the dirt onto the top of the coil and with your finger move any suspect objects. A target signal will only be given when the target is moved.

Note: The GPZ 7000 is a 'motion' detector. This means the coil must be moving over the target, or the target moving over the coil, in order for the detector to 'see' it.

#### TIP

The GPZ 7000 is very sensitive and recovering a small target from loose, dry soil takes skill and patience. A plastic scoop allows you to pass small amounts of soil over the top of the coil to check if your target is in it. Carrying a plastic scoop is a great way to speed up the recovery process.

#### CAUTION Back Fill Every Hole You Dig



Always refill any holes, and scatter leaves and surface debris, before leaving the area. Help restore the area to its original condition to help give detectorists a good reputation, and also disguise your secret hot-spot! Any rubbish you recover should be taken away with you and disposed of properly.

Refilling holes and removing rubbish will help detector users maintain a good reputation. This should lead to more areas being readily accessible for prospecting.

# **Detector Care and Safety**

The GPZ 7000 is a high-quality electronic instrument, finely engineered and packaged in a durable housing. Taking proper care of your detector is vital to ensure its ongoing reliability.



#### WARNING

Please note the following:

- Not all parts of the GPZ 7000 are waterproof.
- Minelab recommends that prior to use, care is taken to ensure the battery seal (o-ring), the seal seating groove and the mating face of the battery are undamaged and kept clean. See "Battery Care and Safety" on page 38 for instructions on maintaining you battery.
- O-ring lubricant or grease is not required on waterproof seals.
- Do not use a petroleum based o-ring grease as it is likely to damage the waterproof seals.
- Do not leave the detector in excessive cold or heat longer than necessary. Covering it when not in use will help protect it. Avoid leaving it in a closed car trunk or in a car exposed to sunlight.
- Never allow the detector to come into contact with gasoline or other petroleum-based liquids.

- Avoid getting sand and grit into the shafts or fastenings (e.g. yoke bolt and cam lock). Do not use solvents to clean the detector. Use a damp cloth with mild soap detergent. Wash connectors with distilled water.
- Hose the detector with clean water after use on the beach (wading).
- If, through extensive use, the carbon-fibre upper, mid, or lower shafts become noticeably scored, wipe these thoroughly with a damp cloth.
- Ensure the coil cable is in good condition and not subject to undue stress.
- Do not dispose of the battery pack in fire (contact local authorities for disposal/recycling). Do not attempt to disassemble or short circuit the battery pack.
- Take precautions when transporting or storing the detector. Although the detector is constructed from the highest quality materials and has undergone rigorous durability tests, the display screen could be prone to scratching or serious damage if not treated with due care.

# **Battery Care and Safety**

#### To extend battery life:

- Turn off the control panel backlight; the backlight increases the power consumption by approximately 8%.
- Turn the detector off when not in use.
- Turn GPS off when not in use.
- Turn Wireless off when not in use.
- When using the WM 12, use headphones rather than the speaker; the speaker uses more power than headphones. This will extend the WM 12 battery life.



#### WARNING

Please note the following:

- The Lithium-Ion battery is specifically designed for the GPZ 7000. Attempting to use the Lithium-Ion battery pack with other detectors may damage the detector or the battery pack.
- VERY IMPORTANT: Ensure the battery seal (o-ring), the o-ring seating groove and the mating face of the battery are undamaged and kept clean of sand, grit and other contaminants. To do this:
  - Remove the battery seal with a soft tool. (The removable seal is in the control box battery seal groove)
  - **2.** Gently brush or wipe out the battery seal groove and battery mating face avoiding damage to the surfaces.
  - **3.** Wipe over the battery seal using a clean, moistened cloth.
  - **4.** Visually inspect the areas to ensure all sand, grit or other contaminants have been removed.
  - **5.** Refit the battery seal ensuring that it is seated at the bottom of the groove, is not twisted, and the corners are aligned.
  - 6. Fit the battery to the detector- take care to check that the battery sand seal is also free of dust, grit, and moisture. The sand seal is not removable.
  - 7. Ensure the battery clips are fully closed.

- Damaged seals or batteries must be replaced.
- Do not try to adapt this battery to other models as it will very likely cause damage.
- Do not charge the battery at temperatures above 113° F (45° C) or below 32° F (0° C).
- Do not immerse the battery pack in any liquid or allow water ingress. Battery packs are not waterproof until connected to the detector.
- Ensure both the battery pack and control box are completely dry before connection.
- Remove the battery pack from the detector during air travel or long term storage.
- Do not immerse the BC 10 charger in any liquid or allow water ingress.
- Do not leave the battery in hot conditions (e.g. on the dashboard or rear parcel shelf of your car).
- Do not damage the battery in any way.
- Do not short-circuit the battery.
- Do not use the battery if it is damaged or deformed.
- Do not attempt to disassemble the Li-lon battery pack.
- Do not incinerate the battery. Contact your local authorities to enquire about disposal or recycling facilities.
- In the event of a fault, return the battery to a Minelab authorised service centre for repair. The use of unapproved components will VOID YOUR WARRANTY. There are no user serviceable parts within this battery pack.

# **GPZ 7000 Accessories**

Parts and accessories available for GPZ 7000:

#### **Coils and Coil Accessories:**

- 11" DOD Coil with Lower Shaft
- 14" DOD Coil with Lower Shaft
- 20" DOD Coil with Lower Shaft
- Skidplate 11" DOD
- Skidplate 14" DOD
- Skidplate 20" DOD
- Coil Bolts and Washers Kit

#### Shaft Accessories:

- Mid Shaft
- Armrest and Stand Kit

#### **Audio Accessories:**

- WM 12 with Belt Clip
- KOSS Headphones
- Waterproof KOSS headphones

#### **Battery Accessories:**

- Battery Charger BC 10 Station
- Battery Charger Cable Kit
- Battery Pack Li-Ion Rechargeable

#### **Other Accessories**

- USB Cable Detector to PC
- PRO-SWING 45 detecting harness
- PRO-FIND 25 Pinpointer

If you would like to purchase any accessories for your GPZ 7000 or any other Minelab product, please feel free to contact us directly or via your local Authorised Minelab dealer.

# **Factory Presets**

# **Detect Presets**

Quick Start	-
Target Size	Small Nuggets
Ground Type	Normal
Noise Cancel	Auto
Sensitivity	20
Volume	8

# **Detect Plus Presets**

Threshold Level	30
Volume Limit	12
Threshold Pitch	50
Ground Balance Mode	Auto

# Settings Presets

GPS	Off
Backlight	Off
Backlight Brightness	10
Wireless Enable	Off
Connect WM 12	-
Connect Additional WM 12	-

# **Preferences Presets**

Time Zone	-09.30
Time Format	12 Hour
Location Format	DM
Units Length	cm/m
Units Weight	Troy Ounces
Start-up Wizard	On

# User Button Presets

Backlight	Selected
Navigation Tool	Unselected
Coordinate View	Unselected
Snapshot	Unselected
Other	Unselected

# **Display Presets**

View Trail	On
View Navigation Tool	On
View Names	On
View Coordinates	On

# **Technical Specifications**



#### WARNING

Any changes or modifications not expressively approved by Minelab Electronics Pty Ltd could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

### GPZ 7000 Technical Specifications

Transmission	Full Band Spectrum 2 (FBS 2)
Simultaneous Frequency	Transmission ranging from 1.5–100 kHz
Coil	14" DOD - Standard (accessory coils available)
Audio Output	Headphones, WiStream Wireless Audio
Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)	Full colour, 320 x 240 pixels, 2.83" x 2.12" (72 mm x 54 mm)
GPS Engine	u-blox Neo-6
FindPoints	Up to 100 (FP001 - FP100)
WayPoints	Up to 100 (WP001 - WP100)
GeoHunts	Up to 10 (GH001 - GH010)
Length	Collapsed: 36.77" (934 mm) Laid flat, packed position: 40.66" (1033 mm) Extended: 55.15" (1401 mm) Laid flat, packed position: 59.05" (1500 mm)
Detector Weight	5.2 lb (2.36 kg) (with Li-lon battery installed)
Coil Weight (including Skid plate)	1.4 lb (641 g)
Operating Temperature Range	32°F to 113°F (0°C to 45°C)
Operating Humidity Range	Up to 95% non-condensing
Storage Temperature Range	23°F to 150°F (–5°C to 70°C)
Storage Humidity Range	Up to 98% Relative Humidity
Operating Time (Li-Ion Battery)	8 hours (GPS, backlight, speaker enabled)

# **Battery Technical Specifications**

Туре	Li-Ion Rechargeable Battery Pack
Output Voltage	Li-Ion: 7.2 V Nominal
Capacity	Li-Ion: 34 Wh
Charge Time	Up to 4 hours
Weight	Li-lon pack: 0.56 lb (255 g)
Battery Operating Temperature	32°F to 113°F (0°C to 45°C)
Battery Storage Temperature	23°F to 176°F (-5°C to 70°C)

# BC 10 Battery Charger Technical Specifications

BC 10 Operating Temperature	14°F to 113° F (-10°C to 45°C)
BC 10 Storage Temperature	-22°F to 176°F (-30°C to 80°C)
BC 10 Input Voltage	11 to 30 VDC
BC 10 USB Output Current	500 mA

# **Detector Parts**