

Re: CF GPS

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Rick Spangle wrote:

Hi, got a CF GPS for my Pocket pc PDA running Tomtom Nav5, problem is locking on & staying on a signal, i often (eventually) get 1 bar on the strength but occasionally go upto 4 but its straight back down again, is there any programs to boost the GPS or do i just get on with it.

It doesnt have any brand logo on it but it connects to my Generic CF Slot.

Those have pretty small antennas generally. There's no easy way to boost the signal strength to its built in antenna. The make some re-radiating GPS antennas will receive, amplify, and rebroadcast GPS signal but I have no experience with them.

Take that out side and give it the best sky view (towards the equator generally) for a while and see if you can get a number of bars at good signal strength. Then you can move it around slowly while watching the bars and see how directional it is. Too directional can be a bad thing.

Some of the CF models have an external antenna jack, one of the cheap generic antennas on eBay can make a big difference. The externals are amplified generally and may shorten your battery life a little.

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