

Re: CompUSA Accommodation (garmin)

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On Fri, 18 Aug 2006 07:38:15 -0400, "sonata32" <sonata32@xxxxxxx> wrote:

In regards to falsely advertising the garmin 2720 for 499.00 plus a 100.00 e-rebate, in this weeks flyer, CompUSA offered to accommodate me with a Garmin Streetpilot C330 GPS for 399.99 plus a 100.00 e-rebate. Is this a good price for this unit? How much difference in "bells and whistles" compared to the 2720 model am I going to miss? Is this c330 any good for the investment. I notice it says it has audio prompts. When I had the 2720 model it had text to speech. Whets the difference. Also, is Magellan or tomtoms product any good? Again, I am looking for something small, that is portable for my vehicle and company truck to use for street location all over CT. Don't want to spend too much seeing I can't insure the product nor get a reimbursement from my employer. Any recommendations? thanks group.

To answer your question, \$300 (after rebate) for the 330 is a good price. I believe in your original posting (and you allude to it in this posting) you indicated that you go from location to location with many stops. I do not believe the 330 has multiple destination route planning. That, to me, with your stated needs, would be essential in the unit I choose (you would want to know the most efficient route between the different stops you would have to make). I think this feature should be included in any automotive gps unit.

The difference in the audio between the 2720 and the 330 is that Text-to-Speech (used by the 2720) will pronounce the name of the Street, where as the non-text-to-speech (330) is already pre-recorded and will only say "turn right" (or left, of course) with no street names. You might be able to live with the difference, even though its not as convenient.

I think for your use, Magellan or Tomtom (with multiple route planning), either is well suited (though I would personally prefer Garmin). But you should do a little research on your own. Go to the respective web sites and read about the units under considerations;

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should you have further questions, come back to the group and you'll receive mucho help.

On a personal note, the offer from CompUSA is a little rank. Even thou its on their web site now (check for store availability and other criteria) I did not find one store with the unit (I tried many zip codes, by far not all of them, just trying to find a store with the unit). Considering many things, it comes pretty close to bait and switch. Just my opinion!

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Wayne

"In the future Mr.Calm, you must up your shipments of sand to the sea!"

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