

# INSTALLATION MANUAL AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

# MD41-() Series GPS Annunciation Unit For Garmin GNS 430/430W/530/530W VHF Communication and Navigation Management System

MD41-1484W	14VDC	Horizontal Mount
MD41-1488W	28VDC	Horizontal Mount
MD41-1494W	14VDC	Vertical Mount
MD41-1498W	28VDC	Vertical Mount





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# **Revision History**

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			1.2.5. Add –1494W and –1498W versions.

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#### SECTION 1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

#### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

The MD41-() is a compact, self-contained GPS Annunciation unit. This unit displays status annunciation received from the Garmin GNS 430/430W/530/530W series GPS navigation management systems.

Features include dual 20,000 hour lamps used for all annunciations along with automatic photocell dimming. An external annunciation dimming adjustment is provided for balancing low-level light conditions.

#### 1.2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### **1.2.1 PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Mounting:	Front mount, panel
Width:	2.45 inches
Height:	0.75 inches
Depth:	2.60 inches (max)
Weight:	0.2 pounds

#### **1.2.2 ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS**

TSO Compliance:	TSO C129
Applicable Documents:	RTCA DO-160C, DO-208
	5500 / 7000
Operating Temperature Range:	$-55^{\circ}$ C to $+70^{\circ}$ C
Humidity:	95% Non-Condensing
Altitude Range:	0 to 55,000 ft.
Vibration:	RTCA DO-160C, Cat. M and N
Operational Shock:	Rigid Mounting, 6G Operational
	15 G Crash Safety

# 1.2.3 ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Design	All Solid State
MD41-1484W (14VDC)	0.30 Amps
MD41-1488W (28VDC)	0.25 Amps
MD41-1494W (14VDC)	0.30 Amps
MD41-1498W (28VDC)	0.25 Amps

## 1.2.4 FRONT PANEL CONTROLS AND ANNUNCIATIONS

# 1.2.4.1 ANNUNCIATIONS

NAV or ILS information presented on the HSI or CDI
GPS information presented on the HSI or CDI
ON indicates message(s) active.
ON indicates reaching the arrival waypoint.
ON indicates aircraft is within 30 miles of departure or
arrival airport
ON indicates the approach is active.
ON indicates GPS receiver detected a position error
or is unable to calculate the integrity of the position

#### 1.2.5 INTERFACE

INTG annunciation J1 Pin 1	Requires a logic low to annunciate		
WPT annunciation J1 Pin 2	Requires a logic low to annunciate when in VOR/ILS mode		
MSG annunciation J1 Pin 3	Requires a logic low to annunciate		
TERM annunciation J1 Pin 4	Requires a logic low to annunciate		
APR annunciation J1 Pin 6	Requires a logic low to annunciate		
VLOC annunciation Receives ground from GNS 430/530 J1 Pin 7			
GPS annunciation J1 Pin 8	Receives ground from GNS 430/530 when in GPS mode.		
Lamp Test J1 Pin 10	Receives ground from remote test switch to light all annunciations (optional connection)		
J1 Pin 15	Ground		

#### 1.2.6 EQUIPMENT LIMITATIONS

The MD41-() series control units contain specific dash numbers to be used with various GPS receivers or Navigation Management Systems. The installer must match the correct controller part number with the system being installed.

The conditions and tests required for TSO approval of this article are minimum performance standards. It is the responsibility of those desiring to install this article either on or within a specific type or class of aircraft to determine that the aircraft installation conditions are within the TSO standards. The article may be installed only if further evaluation by the applicant documents an acceptable installation and is approved by the Administrator.

The MD41-1484W/1488W/1494W/1498W are TSO certified and approved for use with the Garmin GNS 430/430W/530/530W system. This includes the (A), (W) and TAWS system versions of the Garmin equipment. Any attempts to install the listed units in an installation other than the GNS 430/530 system is prohibited. **This will void the TSO.** 

**<u>NOTE:</u>** If the MD41-() is disconnected or removed from the aircraft, it will not affect the operation of the GNS 430/430W/530/530W.

#### 1.2.7 MAJOR COMPONENTS

This system is comprised of one major component, the MD41-1484W/1488W/1494W/1498W GPS Annunciation Control Units.

#### SECTION 2: INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

#### 2.1 COOLING

No direct cooling is required. As with any electronic equipment, overall reliability may be increased if the MD41-() is not located near any high heat source or crowded next to other equipment. Means of providing a gentle airflow will be a plus.

#### 2.2 EQUIPMENT LOCATION

The MD41-() must be mounted as close to the pilot's field of view as possible. The preferable location is near the HSI/CDI that will be displaying the GPS/VLOC information. The unit depth, with connector attached, must also be taken into consideration. Note: Unlike previous versions of the MD41 Annunciation Control Units (ACU), the transfer relays are not required since the GNS 430/530 handles all switching between GPS, VOR and ILS. This has allowed for a smaller size ACU that now provides more options for panel mounting.

#### 2.3 ROUTING OF CABLES

Care must be taken not to bundle the MD41-() logic and low level signal lines with any high energy sources. Examples of these sources include 400 HZ AC, Comm, DME, HF and transponder transmitter coax. Always use shielded wire when shown on the installation print.

Avoid sharp bends in cabling and routing near aircraft control cables.

# SECTION 3: INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

## 3.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

This section contains interconnect diagrams, mounting dimensions and other information pertaining to the installation of the MD41-(). After installation of cabling and before installation of the equipment, ensure that power is applied only to the pins specified in the interconnect diagram.

# 3.2 UNPACKING AND INSPECTING EQUIPMENT

When unpacking equipment, make a visual inspection for evidence of damage incurred during shipment. The following parts should be included:

- 1. MD41-1484W (14VDC) or MD41-1488W (28VDC) Horiz. Mount MD41-1494W (14VDC) or MD41-1498W (28VDC) Vertical Mount
- 2. Installation kit P/N 9016480 consisting of the following items:
  - A. J1 Connector Kit (15 pin) MCI P/N 9016479
    - B. 2 ea mounting brackets
    - C. 4 ea  $4-40x \frac{1}{2}$  pan Phillips screws

D. 2 ea 4-40x  $^{9}/_{16}$  flat Phillips screws MC

E. 1 ea panel cutout template

MCI P/N 90-416-00011 MCI P/N 90-418-10011 MCI P/N 8018954

3. Installation Manual

MCI P/N 9016478

MCI P/N 8018483

#### 3.3 MOUNTING THE MD41-()

Plan a location in the aircraft for the MD41-() to be mounted as close to the pilot's field of view as possible. The preferable location is near the HSI/CDI that will be displaying the GPS information. Avoid mounting close to heater vents or other high heat sources. Allow a clearance of at least 3 inches from back of unit for plug removal.

Use the dimensions shown in figure 3-3 to prepare opening and screw holes for the ACU. A file template has been provided to use for these measurements and hole cutout Carefully measure the locations for the screw holes and mark the drill locations with a center punch. Drill all six holes. A steel template (P/N 8018954) is supplied to aid in locating holes and cutting out the panel. The template may be mounted to the instrument panel to allow a file to be used to complete the cutout area. The front plate of the ACU has a recessed area on the back so a flat head screw is not absolutely necessary. Attach the mounting brackets to the rear side of the instrument panel with four 4-40x1/2 pan-head screws. Insert the ACU through the front of instrument panel and fasten with two 4-40 x 9/16 flat-head screws.

#### 3.4 INSTALLATION LIMITATIONS

Wire the aircraft harness according to figure 3-3. Use at least 24 AWG wire for all connections. Avoid sharp bends and routing cable near high-energy sources. Care must be taken to tie the harness away from aircraft controls and cables. Normal installation techniques should be applied. Also see equipment limitations, section 1.2.6.



#### REAR VIEW OF MATING CONNECTOR

Connector Pinout				
Pin #			Pin #	
1	INTG Annun.		9	Reserved
2	WPT Annun.		10	Lamp Test
3	MSG Annun.		11	Reserved
4	TERM Annun.		12	Reserved
5	28 VDC Power		13	Reserved
6	APR Annun.		14	Reserved
7	VLOC Annun.		15	Ground
8	GPS Annun.			

#### FIGURE 3-1 SCHEMATIC PINOUT, 15 PIN HIGH DENSITY D-SUB



FIGURE 3-2 OUTLINE DRAWING



#### **FIGURE 3-3 INSTRUMENT PANEL MOUNTING**

4-40 x 1/2 PAN HEAD SCREW (4 PLCS) (4 SUPPLIED)



NOTES:

- 1) REFER TO GARMIN GNS 430, 430W or GNS 530, 530W INSTALLATION MANUAL FOR ACTUAL INSTALLATION.
- 2) ALL WIRING SHALL BE 24 AWG UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- 3) MOMENTARY SWITCH FOR TEST. (optional connection)
- 4) 14 VDC FOR MD41-1484W/1494W. 28 VDC FOR MD41-1488W/1498W.

#### FIGURE 3-4: WIRING DIAGRAM, MD41-1484W/1488W/1494W-1498W For GARMIN GNS 430/430W/530/530W

## SECTION 4: POST INSTALLATION CHECKOUT

## 4.1 PRE INSTALLATION TESTS

With the MD41-() disconnected, turn on the avionics master switch and verify that aircraft power is on pin 5. Using an ohmmeter, verify pin 15 is aircraft ground.

#### 4.2 OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Turn off the avionics master switch and connect the mating connector to the rear of the MD41-(). Turn on the avionics master switch and the MD41-() should come on with the following annunciations.

- 1. VLOC or GPS
- 2. MSG may be flashing depending on the status of the GPS receiver.

Annunciation brightness at the minimum dimming level may be adjusted by rotation of the dimmer control located on the side of the MD41-() case. CW rotation lowers the dimming level.

Refer to section 5 of the Garmin GNS 430/430W or GNS 530/530W installation manual for testing of annunciations.

No periodic maintenance or calibration is necessary for continued airworthiness of the MD41-().

# **DO-160C Environmental Qualification Form**

NOMENCLATURE:	Annunciation Control Unit (ACU)			
MODEL NUMBER:	MD41-() Series	TSO NUMBER: C129, Class A1		
MANUFACTURERS SPECIFICATIONS:				
	Minimum Performance Specification 7015613			
	Test Data Specification (TDS) 161, dated 2/12/07			
MANUFACTURER:	Mid-Continent Instrum	nent Co., Inc.		
ADDRESS:				

CONDITIONS	SECTION	DESCRIPTION OF TEST
Temperature and Altitude	4.0	Equipment tested to Category A1F2
Survival Low Temperature	4.5.2	
Operating Low Temperature	4.5.2	
Temperature Variation	5.0	Equipment tested to Category B
Humidity	6.0	Equipment tested to Category A
Operational Shocks and Crash	7.0	Equipment tested to Paragraph 7.2.1
Safety		
Vibration	8.0	Equipment tested to Category M and N
Explosive Atmosphere	9.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Waterproofness	10.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Fluids Susceptibility	11.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Sand and Dust	12.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Fungus	13.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Salt Fog	14.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Magnetic Effect	15.0	Equipment tested to Category Z
Power Input	16.0	Equipment tested to Category B
Voltage Spike	17.0	Equipment tested to Category A
Audio Frequency Conducted	18.0	Equipment tested to Category B
Susceptibility		
Induced Signal Susceptibility	19.0	Equipment tested to Category A
Radio Frequency Susceptibility	20.4	Equipment tested to Category T
(Radiated and Conducted)	20.5	
Emission of Radio Frequency	21.0	Equipment tested to Category Z
Energy		
Lightning Induced Transient	22.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Susceptibility		
Lightning Direct Effects	23.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.
Icing	24.0	Equipment identified as category X, no test performed.