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SI-TEX VECTOR COMPACT

Forget the bulky and temperamental fluxgate compass. This compact unit has two GPS antennas and a clock to give accurate position, heading and bearing fixes to 2 degrees RMS even when stationary.

UNIQUE BECAUSE:

It supports most international GPS and supplemental systems required for worldwide travel.

si-tex.com; \$999



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GARMIN QUATIX 3

Ten years of wearable experience went into Garmin's first boater-specific smartwatch capable of doing all the general call, email and text functions of a smartphone interface, plus NMEA 2000 data downloads from onboard navigation equipment. Its sunlight-bright display allows for outdoor use, and the design is resistant to saltwater corrosion to withstand many days on the water.

UNIQUE BECAUSE:

Quatix 3 can monitor engines, navigation, set and navigate to a man-overboard point with a dedicated hot key, report current local tides, and control Fusion audio equipment.

garmin.com; \$599

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VESPER MARINE

XB-6000 AIS

With a fast 5-Hz GPS update rate, it keeps skippers better apprised of bearing and closing speed of approaching targets or obstacles in the vessel's path. Connection points are low profile, giving a streamlined installation. It's fully waterproof with a built-in GPS antenna.

UNIQUE BECAUSE:

It boasts the first NMEA 2000 gateway, converting navigation instrument data so it can be viewed on a PC or Mac.

vespermarine.com; \$595

