
Garmin 496 TIS Data Lost

Posted by jimbtv - 2007/10/20 17:20

Do you know if it is possible to make the Garmin 496 display the loss of the RS232 data stream from the XRX unit?

I was flying today and the XRX lost power, due to a loose power connector on the back of the unit. As I approached a busy airport I didn't see any targets on the 496 screen. I finally figured out the XRX power problem and restarted the unit. It would be nice to know if the XRX wigs out on me.

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Re:Garmin 496 TIS Data Lost

Posted by zaon - 2007/10/21 22:38

The quick way to tell if the 496 is receiving data is to look at the setup menu / interface tab and make sure it still reads "Data Available" in the Status field. Other than that, the Garmin unit does not provide for an alert if this data is lost. Once you have gone to this menu / tab, you can return to it quickly by pressing the menu button twice.

<http://www.zaon.aero/images/stories/xrx-int/int-gar-setup.gif>

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Re:Garmin 496 TIS Data Lost

Posted by zb1c06 - 2008/10/25 16:54

You can get the 496/396 to advise you that you have lost TIS data if you go in to the 396 and turn on the audio alert. I have a 396 with the latest version of firmware and I get this alert when I switch the xrx from garmin to none on the com. The recorded msg from the 396 in a sweet lady's voice is "Traffic not available"

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Re:Garmin 496 TIS Data Lost

Posted by cgeyen - 2008/10/27 12:02

Not to confuse the issue, but for those of you monitoring this thread, please also read the "GPSMap 396 loses XRX traffic link occasionally" thread in the "Integration to Third-Party Systems" forum topic. I'm trying to determine whether these issues may be related in any way.

Thanks,

Chad

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