

**Subject:** Almanacs for MobileMapper Mission Planning

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**Synopsis:** Recently the Coast Guard changed the location for GPS Almanacs and the filename format. This document shows how to get new almanacs.

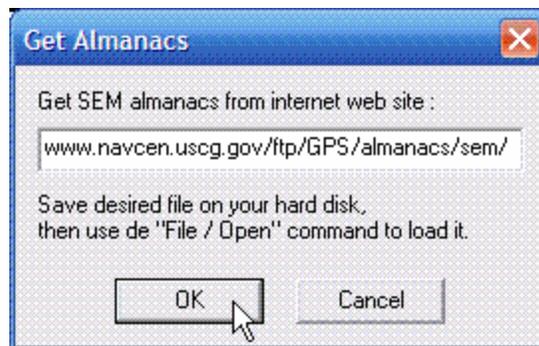
### Detailed Information:

Three of the ways to get almanacs:

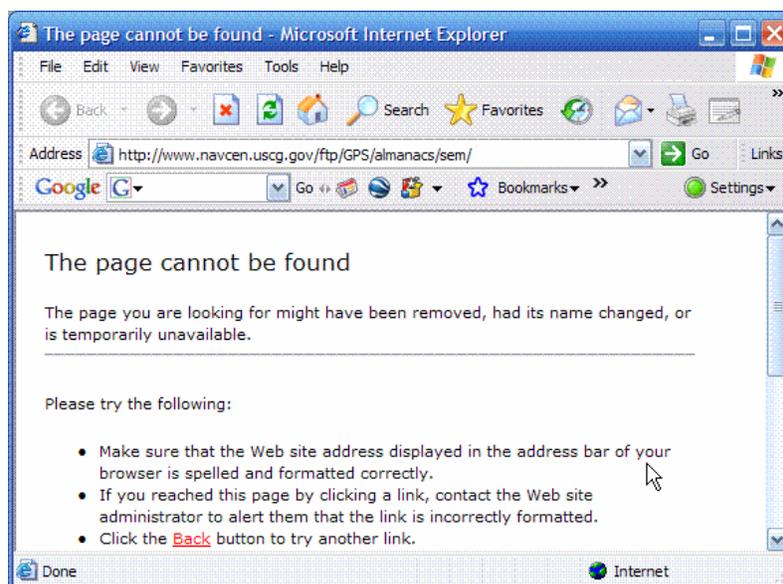
1. From the Magellan GPS website: <ftp://ftp.magellangps.com>
2. From the receiver (just drag it over using download and then open it from the Mission Planning main menu.
3. Use the new Coast Guard link described below.

### 3. Use the New Link

If you use the old link provided under “Help: Get Almanacs”:



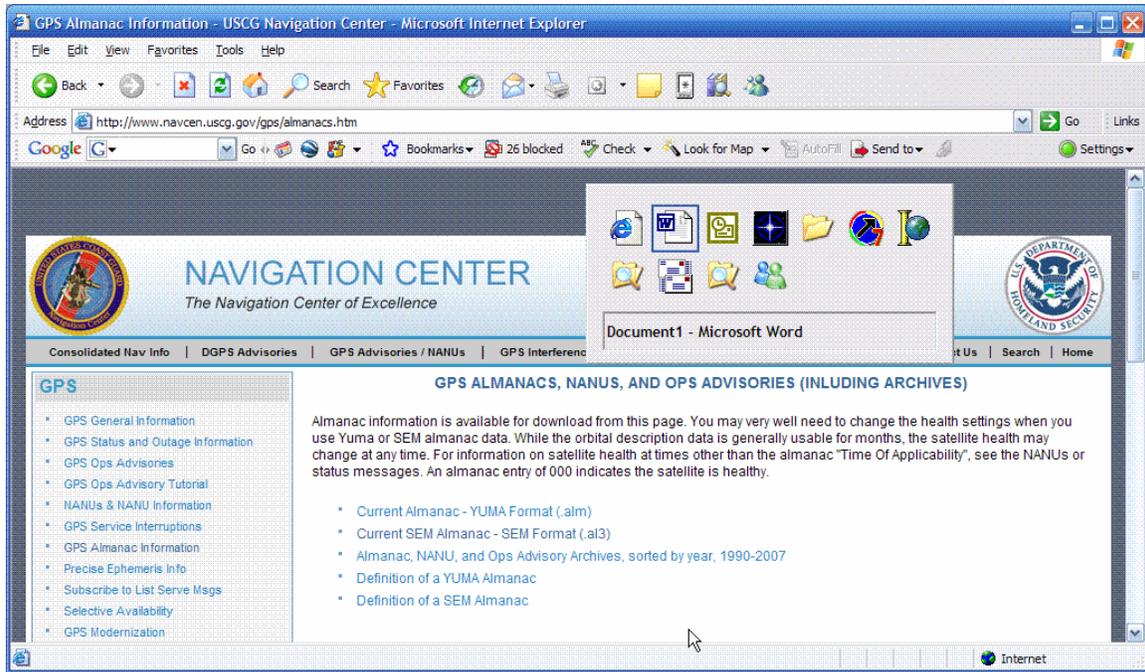
you will see:



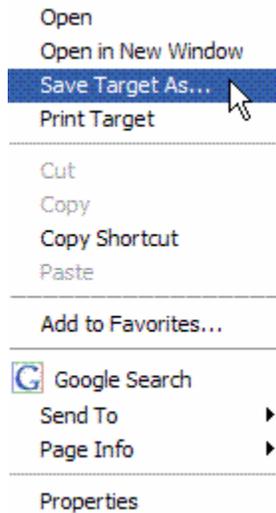
Instead, browse to this location:

<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/gps/almanacs.htm>

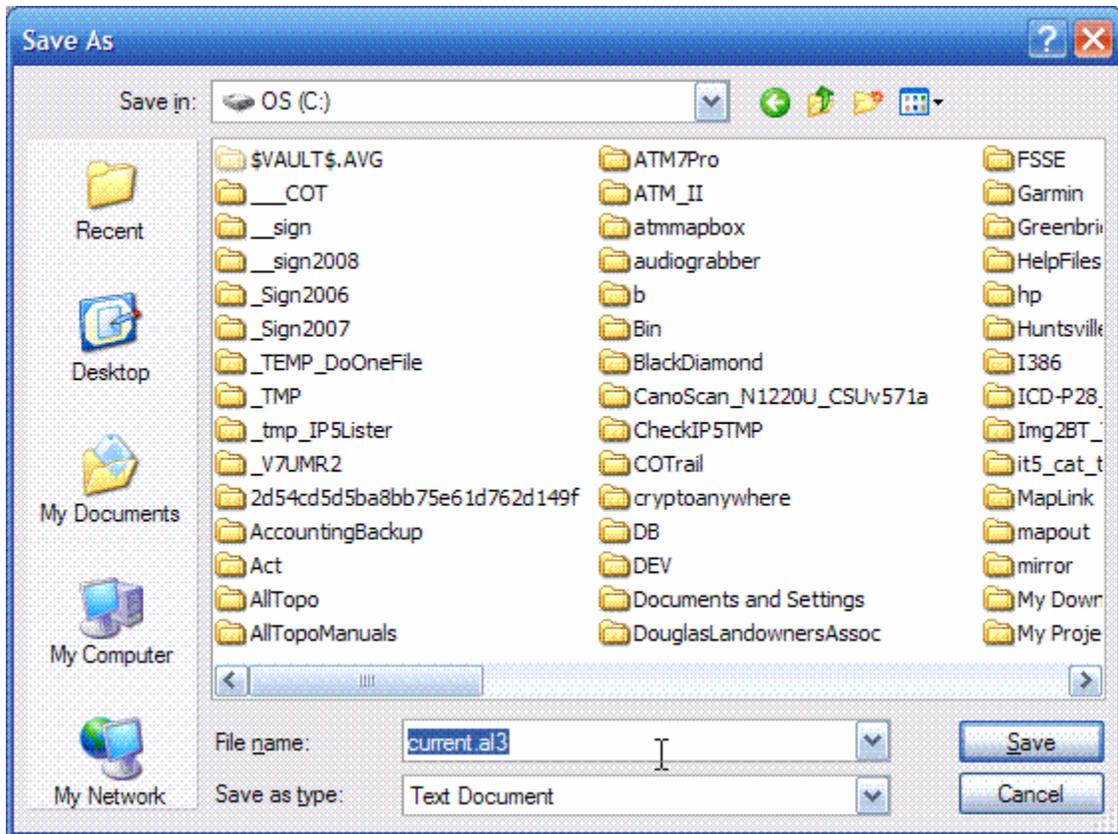
The site looks like this:



Right-Click on the link “[Current SEM Almanac - SEM Format \(.a13\)](#)” and select “Save Target As...”:



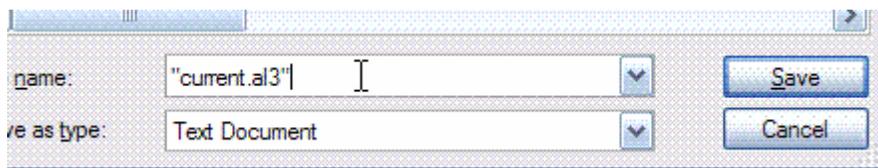
You will get a Save Dialog like this one:



Browse for the location where you want to store the file to.

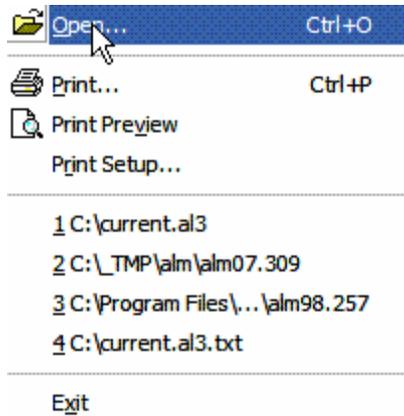
**This is Important! You MUST enclose the filename in quotes. If you don't, then the file will be saved with a .TXT extension!**

**The filename will look like this:**



Now press the "Save" button.

After the file downloads to your machine, use the Mission Planning main menu option: File:  
Open:



Now change the 'Files of type' to "All Files" and browse for the file you just saved:



Mission Planning will load the new almanac and you will be ready to go!