

# Lost Procedures

## **DON'T PANIC & REMEMBER THE 6 C's**

### **1. CONFIRM**

- ✓ Verify Your Heading
- ✓ Enroute Check Points - Locate Landmarks
- ✓ Check The Elapsed Time Since Departure
- ✓ Use your airspeed to calculate how far you have travelled.
- ✓ Use ALL available resources
  - ✓ GPS, Utilize the aircraft GPS (IF INSTALLED)
  - ✓ Pilot Application such as Foreflight, Garmin Pilot, Google Maps etc on a table, phone or other tech to locate your position.
  - ✓ Utilize VOR, Tune to a known local VOR and determine the radial you are on

### **2. CLIMB (if able)**

- ✓ Gives better visibility (of landmarks etc)
- ✓ Better range for Nav aids (e.g VOR)
- ✓ Better VHF comms radio range

### **3. CIRCLE**

- ✓ Don't continue to fly in a given direction if you don't know where you are heading.
- ✓ Perform turns around a point.
- ✓ Try to spot your last checkpoint
- ✓ Try to figure out your position as you circle.

### **4. COMMUNICATE**

- ✓ Try to contact any nearby facilities (Towered airports, FSS, Unicom etc) Use the frequencies from your charts, Chart Supplement, GPS, Flight App, Chart Supplement etc

### **5. CHECK FREQUENCIES**

- ✓ Attempt to contact ATC on last used frequency or a known local ATC frequency.  
IF THE SITUATION IS THREATENING THE SAFETY OF THE FLIGHT (e.g LOW FUEL) YOU CAN DECLARE AN EMERGENCY ON **121.5** AND **SQUAWK 7700**

### **6. CONFESS**

- ✓ Explain your situation to ATC / Guard
- ✓ What the plan for your flight was.
- ✓ That you are uncertain of your position.

### **7. COMPLY WITH ATC INSTRUCTIONS**

- ✓ If you request assistance from ATC comply with instructions and requests for information.
- ✓ If you are unable to comply with ATC instruction notify ATC of this with "unable" and the reason!
- ✓ If you need to speak in regular English to explain the situation / emergency do so! It is important to be clear and concise to make the situation understood for the facility to provide assistance.