

Wind Correction Worksheet

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Clear

Ground Speed

GSpd = 90.00 KTS

Wind Speed

WSpd = 10.00 KTS

True Air Speed

TAS = 81.45 KTS

Wind Direction

WDir = 350 °

True Course

TCrs = 200 °

Wind Correction

WCA = 3 °

True Heading

THdg = 203 °

Clear	Set all variables to a invalid state keeping the current value. If it is touched again, clears all values to 0.
GSpd	Ground Speed: Stores or validate the GSpd value for the calculation of the other variables.
TAS	True Air Speed: Stores or validate the TAS value for the calculation of the other variables.
TCrs	True Course: Stores or validate the TCrs value for the calculation of the other variables.
THdg	True Heading: Stores or validate the THdg value for the calculation of the other variables.
WSpd	Wind Speed: Stores or validate the WSpd value for the calculation of the other variables.
WDir	Wind Direction: Stores or validate the WDir value for the calculation of the other variables.
WCA	Wind Correction Angle: Recalls the computed value of WCA to the display.

The Wind Correction worksheet solves the Wind Triangle problem of how the presence of wind affects an aircraft flight computing relevant values for navigation such as wind correction angle and ground speed.

The wind triangle is composed of the following segments:

- True course (TCrs) and ground speed (GSpd).
- Wind direction (WDir) and wind speed (WSpd).
- True heading (THdg) and true air speed (TAS).

Solving the wind triangle, the wind correction angle (WCA) is computed.

NOTE: Always verify the physical units

To change the units of a variable, tap over the unit symbol and select the right one from the pop-up menu. To change the whole units in the worksheet select “Set Metric Units” or “Set US Units” from the [**UNITS▶**] button in the Navigation Bar.

All the following examples use US units. So please select “Set US Units” from the [**UNITS▶**] menu in the Navigation Bar.

Example 1:

Find the wind direction, wind speed and wind correction angle given 350° THdg, 478 kts GSpd, 355° TCrs, and 500 kts TAS.

Solution:

Keystrokes	Description
[Clear] [Clear]	Clears all variables to start a new calculation.
type 350 [THdg]	Stores 350° in THdg (the button change to blue).
type 478 [GSpd]	Stores 478 KTS in GSpd (the button change to blue).
type 355 [TCrs]	Stores 355° in TCrs (the button change to blue).
type 500 [TAS]	Stores 500 KTS in TAS (the button change to blue) and automatically calculates the values of: WSpd = 47.99 KTS (the button change to red). WDir = 290 ° (the button change to red). WCA = -5 ° (the button change to red).

Appendix : Equations Used

The equations that this worksheet calculates are:

a) In Flight Cross Wind Component:

$$\mathbf{WSpd} \cdot \mathbf{COS(WDir)} = \mathbf{TAS} \cdot \mathbf{COS(THdg)} - \mathbf{GSpd} \cdot \mathbf{COS(TCrs)}$$

b) In Flight Head Wind Component:

$$\mathbf{WSpd} \cdot \mathbf{SIN(WDir)} = \mathbf{TAS} \cdot \mathbf{SIN(THdg)} - \mathbf{GSpd} \cdot \mathbf{SIN(TCrs)}$$