

WEATHER DEVICES (from page 5)

After a trend in lightning strikes is determined by the unit you can see if a storm is either approaching you or departing your present location. When the LED goes from green to red, the storm is approaching, from red to green and it's departing. This reading takes at least five minutes to compute and complete to show a pattern of the storms direction.

Strike Alert was designed to be used outdoors and is susceptible to interference from televisions, computer monitors, motors and engines and high power electronic equipment. The unit must also be in an upright position and not on its side or lying flat.

In a boat it's a good idea to shut off your engine and electronics to get an accurate reading if you feel that a thunderstorm is approaching. The Personnel Lighting Detector is a handy device to have on board when trying to determine a storms direction while on the water.

Storm Predator:

The Storm Predator is DVD disc that is downloadable onto any compatible computer system. It is an interactive desktop weather monitoring application that will have you tracking and monitoring severe weather systems right from your home computer.

Storm Predator displays everything from radar and satellite imagery to up-to-date forecasts and severe weather bulletins. Plus, it allows you to explore weather systems in depth. The Storm Tracker Tool allows you to mark storm cells in the loop history and then have an automated forecast for speed, distance covered, direction, and estimated time of arrival (ETA). A projected path is displayed along with a box outlining possible variances of the storm as it advances.



The features of this program are extensive and much too long to list here but here are a few highlights: Radar image enhancement to choose custom colors for better visibility, plus automatic ground clutter removal, Storm Cell Analyzer will help determine the strength of storm cells, auto radar sweep beam with variable color, width, and speed, Personal 24/7 forecaster for over 60,000 cities in the USA and Worldwide cities as well.

This program requires a Pentium II 400MHZ, 128 MB RAM, a 800x600 VGA monitor display, 16-bit color, 24/32-bit recommended, Windows 98 E or ME but Winders 2000 or XP is strongly recommended as well as high speed internet connection.

Yes indeed, the technological advancements are truly astounding. These three can help keep you safe and just maybe aid in catching more fish.



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