



# Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

## 2026 Official PZ Map

Garmin Montana 700 — Install Instructions

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This ZIP is the official 2026 Prohibited Zone map for the Garmin Montana 700 units gifted to Fiesta pilots. Unzip it, then copy the Garmin folder onto the device. The map matches printed sheet version 26.01.

### What is in this ZIP

Instructions PDF

Garmin/CustomMaps/2026\_AIBF\_PZ-v26.01.kmz

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Targets-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_PZ\_Labels-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Points-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Red\_PZ-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Yellow\_PZ-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Landing\_Only-v26.01.gpx

Garmin/GPX/2026\_AIBF\_Kirtland-v26.01.gpx

This instruction sheet

Printed PZ sheet as a Custom Map (8.2 MB)

Competition targets T-1 through T-10

PZ numbers and names

Weather stations and named points

Red zones — no landing / no low flight

Yellow zones — no landing

Purple landing-only / sensitive areas

Kirtland AFB sensitive area

### 1. Put the files on the Montana

1. Turn the Montana on. Plug the USB cable into your computer.
2. On the Montana, choose File Transfer / Mass Storage if it asks. A drive named GARMIN should appear.
3. Open this ZIP. You will see a folder named Garmin.
4. Copy that Garmin folder onto the GARMIN drive. Merge it with the Garmin folder already on the unit. Do not delete or replace the whole Garmin folder — that would wipe the unit's built-in maps.
5. When the copy finishes, eject the GARMIN drive (Mac: click the eject icon; Windows: Safely Remove Hardware), then unplug the cable.

### 2. Turn the Custom Map on

1. Power the Montana on and open the Map page.
2. Menu → Map Setup → Map Information.
3. Find 2026\_AIBF\_PZ-v26.01 and turn that Custom Map on.
4. Zoom to the Albuquerque / Balloon Fiesta area. Custom Maps only draw when that region is on screen.



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### 3. Waypoints and zone outlines

The GPX files load automatically. Targets and PZ labels appear under Waypoint Manager. Red, yellow, purple, and Kirtland outlines appear under Tracks. Hide any file you do not want by turning that track or waypoint list off.

#### If the map does not appear

- Confirm USB was File Transfer / Mass Storage, not charging-only.
- Confirm these exact paths on the device:

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Garmin/CustomMaps/2026_AIBF_PZ-v26.01.kmz
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Garmin/GPX/2026_AIBF_*.gpx
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- Eject the drive before unplugging. A half-written KMZ will not open.
- Turn the Custom Map on under Map Setup → Map Information.
- Zoom to Balloon Fiesta Park. The sheet will not show if you are zoomed to another state.
- Do not unzip the KMZ. Copy the .kmz file as-is into CustomMaps.

#### Need help?

Download and updates: [balloonfiesta.com/pilots-and-crews/pz-maps](https://balloonfiesta.com/pilots-and-crews/pz-maps)

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