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Garmin Forerunner 55 User Manual

Model: 010-02562-00 | Brand: Garmin



Image: Front view of the Garmin Forerunner 55 in black, displaying the time and date.

1. Introduction

The Garmin Forerunner 55 is a user-friendly GPS running smartwatch designed to help runners of all skill levels track their progress and achieve their fitness goals. It offers essential running metrics, personalized guidance, and advanced wellness tracking features to keep you informed and motivated.

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your Forerunner 55 to ensure you get the most out of your device.

2. What's in the Box

- Forerunner 55 GPS Running Watch
- Power/Data Cable
- Documentation (User Manual, Safety and Product Information)

3. Setup

3.1 Initial Charging

Before first use, fully charge your Forerunner 55. Connect the power/data cable to the charging port on the back of the watch and plug the USB end into a power source (e.g., computer USB port or USB wall adapter). A full charge provides up to 2 weeks of battery life in smartwatch mode or up to 20 hours in GPS mode.



Image: Rear view of the Forerunner 55, highlighting the optical heart rate sensor and charging contacts.

3.2 Pairing with Garmin Connect App

To unlock the full potential of your Forerunner 55, pair it with the Garmin Connect app on your compatible smartphone. The app allows you to sync data, customize settings, download watch faces, and access advanced features.

1. Download the Garmin Connect app from your smartphone's app store.
2. Open the app and follow the on-screen instructions to create an account or sign in.
3. On your Forerunner 55, press the **LIGHT** button to turn it on.
4. Follow the prompts on the watch to select your language and begin the pairing process.
5. In the Garmin Connect app, select **Add Device** and follow the instructions to connect your Forerunner 55.

3.3 Basic Button Functions

The Forerunner 55 features five physical buttons for navigation and control:

- **LIGHT** (Top Left): Press to turn on/off backlight. Hold to access controls menu (power, phone connection, DND, etc.).
- **UP** (Middle Left): Press to scroll up through menus and data screens.

- **DOWN** (Bottom Left): Press to scroll down through menus and data screens.
- **START/STOP** (Top Right): Press to start/stop an activity. Press to select an option in a menu.
- **BACK** (Bottom Right): Press to return to the previous screen. Hold to view the watch face.



Image: Front view of the Forerunner 55 showing various activity profiles available for selection.

4. Operating Your Forerunner 55

4.1 Activity Tracking

The Forerunner 55 is equipped with a variety of features to track your physical activities and monitor your health metrics.

- **GPS Tracking:** Uses built-in GPS to track distance, pace, and location for outdoor activities.
- **Heart Rate Monitoring:** Monitors heart rate at the wrist (not a medical device) to provide insights into your

exertion levels.

- **Daily Suggested Workouts:** Provides personalized run recommendations based on your training history, fitness level, and recovery time.
- **PacePro Feature:** Offers GPS-based pace guidance for a selected course or distance to help you plan your race day strategy.
- **Activity Profiles:** Includes built-in profiles for running, cycling, track run, virtual run, pool swim, Pilates, HIIT, breathwork, and more.
- **Fitness Tracking:** Advanced wellness features such as intensity minutes, fitness age, and all-day respiration monitoring.
- **Stress Tracking:** Monitors your stress levels throughout the day and provides relaxation reminders.
- **Body Battery Energy Monitoring:** Tracks your body's energy levels to help you find the best times for activity and rest.



Image: Watch face showing a daily suggested workout for a tempo run.



Image: Watch face showing current stress level as 'Low Stress'.

4.2 Smart Features

Beyond fitness tracking, the Forerunner 55 offers smart features to keep you connected.

- **Smart Notifications:** Receive emails, texts, and alerts directly on your watch when paired with a compatible smartphone.
- **Connect IQ Store:** Customize your watch with free watch faces, data fields, apps, and widgets from the Connect IQ Store (requires Garmin Connect app and Connect IQ app loaded on a compatible smartphone).
- **Music Controls:** Easily control music playing on your phone directly from your watch.
- **Garmin Pay:** (Note: While not explicitly listed in feature bullets, Garmin watches often support contactless payments. Refer to Garmin Connect app for setup if available on your model.)
- **Safety and Tracking Features:** If you feel unsafe or if your watch senses that an incident occurred, assistance and incident detection features can send your location to emergency contacts.

5. Maintenance

5.1 Cleaning Your Watch

Regular cleaning helps maintain the appearance and performance of your Forerunner 55. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.

- Rinse the watch with fresh water after exposure to sweat, chlorine, or saltwater.
- Wipe the watch and strap with a soft, damp cloth.
- Allow the watch to dry completely before charging or wearing.

5.2 Battery Information

The Forerunner 55 features a long-lasting battery. To maximize battery life:

- Disable features like continuous GPS tracking when not needed.
- Reduce backlight brightness or use auto-brightness.
- Ensure the charging contacts are clean and dry before charging to prevent corrosion.

6. Troubleshooting

6.1 Common Issues

- **Watch not turning on:** Ensure the watch is fully charged. Connect it to the power/data cable and a power source.
- **GPS signal not acquired:** Ensure you are in an open area with a clear view of the sky. Wait a few minutes for the watch to acquire satellite signals.
- **Not pairing with phone:** Ensure Bluetooth is enabled on your phone and the watch is in pairing mode. Try restarting both devices.
- **Inaccurate heart rate readings:** Ensure the watch is worn snugly on your wrist, above the wrist bone. Clean the heart rate sensor regularly.

For more detailed troubleshooting steps, please refer to the official Garmin Forerunner 55 User Manual (PDF) available on the Garmin support website or via the provided link: Garmin Forerunner 55 User Manual PDF.

7. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	1.65 x 1.65 x 0.46 inches
Item Weight	1.31 ounces
Model Number	010-02562-00
Batteries	1 Lithium Polymer batteries required (included)
Battery Life (Smartwatch Mode)	Up to 2 weeks
Battery Life (GPS Mode)	Up to 20 hours

GPS	Built-in GPS
Connectivity Technologies	Bluetooth
Display Resolution	208 x 208 pixels
Human Interface Input	Buttons
Color	Black
Manufacturer	Garmin

8. Warranty and Support

8.1 Product Warranty

The Garmin Forerunner 55 comes with a standard limited warranty. Please refer to the included documentation or the official Garmin website for specific warranty terms and conditions applicable to your region.

8.2 Customer Support

For additional support, product registration, software updates, or to access FAQs, visit the official Garmin support website:

www.garmin.com/support

You can also find the full user manual in PDF format here: Garmin Forerunner 55 User Manual PDF.

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