# Reservoir Park Compass Course WORKSHEET Bearing and Distance

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### RESERVOIR PARK COMPASS COURSE

#### **Course Information**

This course was an Eagle Project done by Thomas Hopkins of Boy Scout Troop 30 in Little Rock. Arkansas. The purpose of this course is to provide an opportunity to teach compass skills. The course consists of a one-mile point-to-point compass course. A map and instructions for the course have been posted in the sign cabinet at the start of the course in Reservoir park. These materials can also be obtained from the Little Rock Parks and Recreation web page (<a href="www.littlerock.gov/for-residents/parks-and-recreation/city-parks-and-maps/">www.littlerock.gov/for-residents/parks-and-maps/</a>). Copies are also available from the Boy Scouts of America office located at 3220 Cantrell Road in Little Rock, Arkansas.

#### Using the course

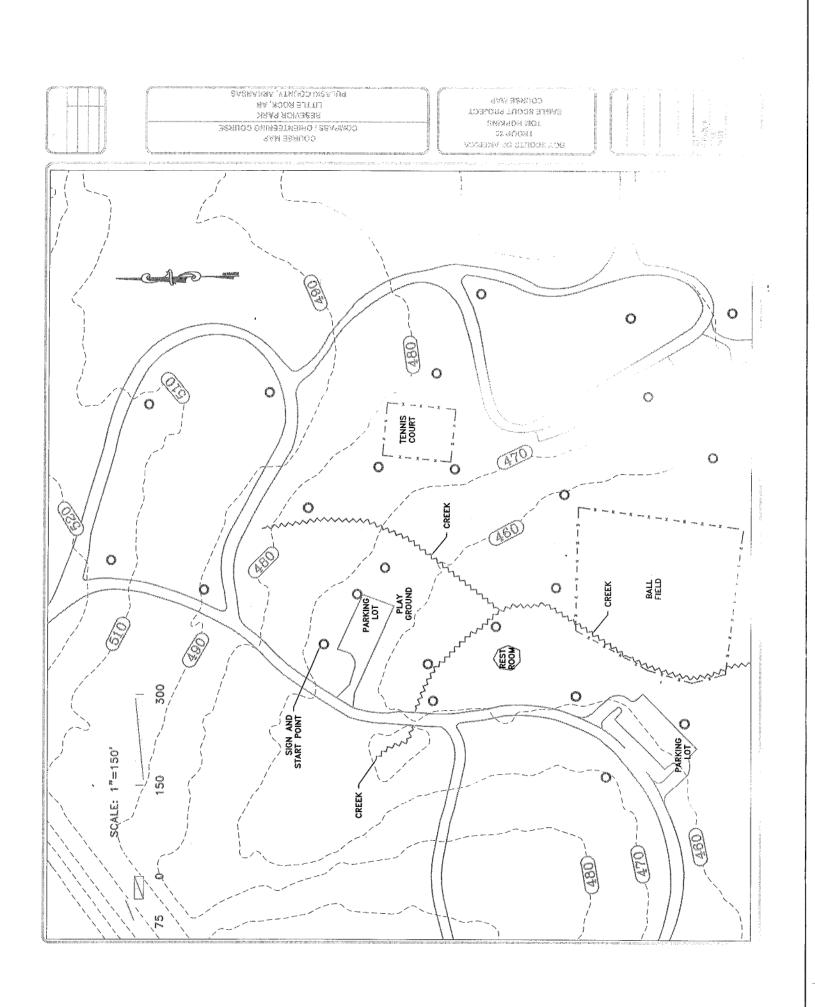
- 1. The point-to-point compass course consists of a series of aluminum surveying markers which are engraved with "Reservoir Park Compass Course Eagle Project T-30" and stamped with a letter on the surface of each marker. The survey markers were installed flush at ground level throughout Reservoir Park. A park map and the compass coordinates can be obtained at Littlerock.gov., at the BSA Scout Office in Little Rock, or you can take a picture of the map and coordinates located in the sign cabinet at the start of the course.
- 2. **Establish your pace distance** or stride before beginning the course. There are 2 markers "Y" and "Z" spaced 100 feet apart to help you determine your pace. Start at the survey marker "Y", which is right next to the sign board. Now count the number of steps that it takes you to reach survey marker "Z", located SE from "Y" along the north side of the parking lot. Take normal comfortable steps. Mark your pace steps 2 or 3 times and take the average number, this will be your pace number for 100 feet.

Each marker is located using a compass bearing for direction and the distance in feet between each marker. Use your pace count to calculate the number of steps needed to reach your next marker. For example, if your pace is 50 steps to reach 100 feet and the distance to the next marker is 315 feet, you will calculate 315 feet divided by 100 divided by the number of steps in your pace.  $315/100 = 3.15 \times 50 = 157.5$  steps

3. How to use the compass to determine direction. First, stand over the marker and rotate the compass wheel to the indicated bearing. Hold the compass to your chest and turn your body until the red end of the needle points at the N. Use the sights on the compass to identify a tree or other object in the distance that lines up to your compass bearing. Pace yourself as you walk towards the sighted object and estimate your distance.

When you reach the area where you think the marker is in, begin to look around. It may be under some brush! Whenever you find the marker write down the letter located on the marker on your worksheet. Repeat the above process for finding the next marker.

4. When you have finished check the key to see if you located all the markers and in the correct order. The key is also located on the Parks and Recreation web page or from the Scout Office.



## ANSWER KEY

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