

Introduction to GPS Navigation Course

Grade Two - Grade explanation:

For: Fit novices, anyone with a reasonably active lifestyle.

Terrain: Undulating perhaps lumpy with some off path rough walking.

Average Daily Distance: 8-12 miles (13-20km)

Average Daily Ascent: One or two ascents of up to 1500ft (450m)

Walking For: 5-7 hours (plus stops)

This one-day course is ideal for GPS novices. You will learn some of the advantages and limitations of using a GPS and also get plenty of practice. By the end of the session you should understand how to get the best from your GPS to augment your traditional navigation skills.

These courses are non-residential and operated from our Stirling base. Participants should be of around intermediate standard of navigation by traditional methods.

Introduction to GPS Navigation - Important Information

Assumes: In order to get the most from the day, it is assumed that you would have basic knowledge and skills of navigation. This would include an ability to navigate partly off path with some contour interpretation and distance judgement. The skills covered in the NNA Silver standard would be appropriate.

Course Duration: 1 day non-residential course.

Covers: Background information, Understanding the key features of a GPS, The use of 'Memory Map' computer software, Advantages and limitations of using a GPS , Techniques for combining GPS and the traditional skills of navigation.