

BASIC INSTRUCTIONS for iOrienteering

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR THIS ACTIVITY:

- Access to a COLOR PRINTER to print the map.

Other things you'll need:

A COMPASS -- Nothing fancy, just something that points NORTH. (The course can be done without a compass, but it helps to have one.)

A SMART PHONE (optional) -- Enables you to upload your results by scanning QR Codes at each checkpoint. (Participants can still do the course without a phone, just without recorded results.)

WEATHER-APPROPRIATE CLOTHING and SENSIBLE SHOES. Long pants and long-sleeved shirts may help prevent poison ivy, ticks, and the like.

PLEASE practice responsible social distancing. If you see another family at the start location, hang out by your car to give them at least a 10-minute head start!

Orienteering is fun even in rain or chilly temps -- it's just more of an adventure! No need to wait for perfect weather -- come on out when the park is less crowded!

GETTING STARTED

Download the iOrienteering app.

This is optional. Using the app will allow you to scan the QR codes at each checkpoint, keeping track of which checkpoints you have visited. When you are finished, you have the option of uploading your results to the website, which you can compare to others' results.

Please note: This is a free app that sometimes has glitches. Badger Orienteering does not have any control over the app! If you don't care for the app, or scanning QR codes, you may do the orienteering course without using it — just find the markers for fun!

You can familiarize yourself with the iOrienteering app by checking out the iOrienteering website and user guide: www.iorienteering.com/help/userguide

Get a copy of the course map.

Visit www.badgerorienteering.com for information about getting a copy of the map.

Print to a color printer on 8.5" x 11" paper.

Familiarize yourself with the colors and symbols on the map.

If it is **RAINING** when you go orienteering, put your map in a plastic bag.

Ready to orienteer?

1. Scan the "Scan to Load Course" QR Code on the map. We recommend doing this before you leave home, in case there are any glitches. However, you can do it when you get to the park.
2. Once at the park, find the START/FINISH location (purple triangle) on the map.
 - For Lapham Peak, it is the Homestead Hollow parking lot.
3. Once you are at the START/FINISH location (anywhere in the parking lot), scan the "START" QR Code on the map. The clock is now started.
4. Set out to find as many markers as you like. You can find them **in any order**. Receive 1 point per marker found.
5. When you are finished, return to the START/FINISH location and scan the "FINISH" QR Code on the map. The app will calculate your total points and total time. If you wish, you may upload your results to the iOrienteering website, and compare results with others.

While orienteering, here are some guidelines to follow:

***** KEEP TRACK OF WHERE YOU ARE AT ALL TIMES *****

1 - ORIENT THE MAP TO NORTH. TOP OF MAP IS NORTH. COMPASS WILL HELP YOU FIND NORTH. THE MAP SHOULD MATCH UP WITH YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

2 - DECIDE WHICH MARKER TO FIND (YOU CAN GO IN ANY ORDER)

3 - PLAN A ROUTE TO GET THERE

4 - KEEP THE MAP ORIENTED WHILE YOU TRAVEL

5 - FOLLOW YOUR ROUTE, NOTICING MAPPED FEATURES ALONG THE WAY.

6 - USE YOUR THUMB TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR LOCATION ON THE MAP.

7 - WHEN YOU FIND THE MARKER, MAKE SURE THE CODE MATCHES THE ONE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR.

8 - SCAN THE QR CODE AT THE MARKER.

9 - REPEAT STEPS ABOVE!

10 - RETURN TO THE FINISH POINT WHEN YOU ARE DONE.