Crowders Mountain State Park

Orienteering Course

The orienteering course is approximately ¾ mile long and includes 14 control points.

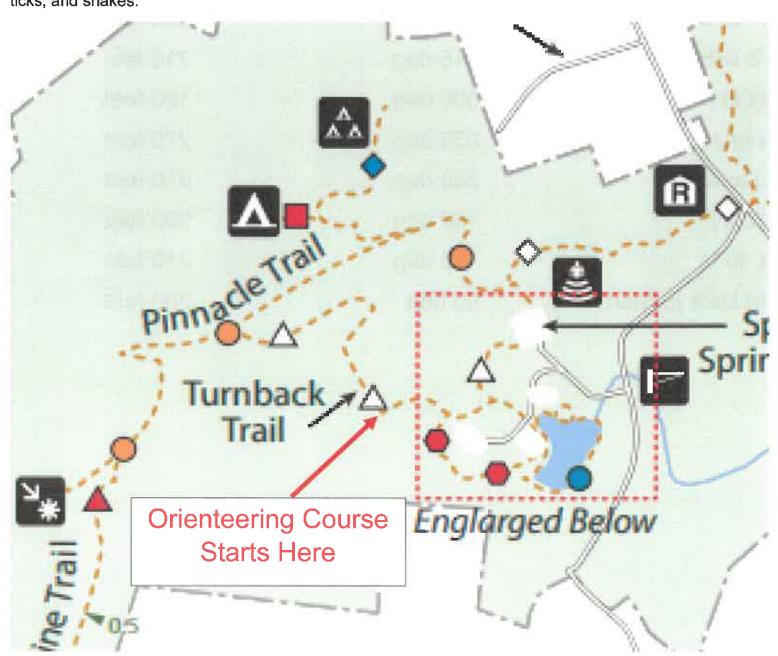
The objective of the course is to become proficient at following a compass bearing from one control to another using the bearings and distances provided.

To reach the starting point, follow the Turnback Trail ½ mile from the bottom middle of the Visitor Center parking area or ¼ mile from the end of the main park road at the second picnic shelter. At a sharp right turn in the trail you will see the "Orienteering Course" sign that acts as the first control. The first bearing will be taken from this sign.

This is a beginner/basic course with control posts set no more than 100 yds apart, with some being closer.

The course is easy to moderate with a few small hills, a creek crossing, and a trail crossing or two.

Use caution, especially during warmer months, as you may encounter poison oak/ivy, stinging insects, ticks, and snakes.



Orienteering Course Bearings and Distances

Control	<u>Bearing</u>	Distance
Start to A	266 deg	300 feet
A to B	37 deg	300 feet
B to C	335 deg	210 feet
C to D	28 deg	270 feet
D to E	93 deg	300 feet
E to F	182 deg	240 feet
F to G	237 deg	300 feet
G to H	215 deg	210 feet
H to I	306 deg	180 feet
I to J	335 deg	270 feet
J to K	240 deg	210 feet
K to L	152 deg	300 feet
L to M	110 deg	210 feet
M back to Start	66 deg	300 feet