

WHY DO THIS COURSE?

In SAR, we are responding to someone else's emergency, often deployed in difficult weather and under a sense of urgency. For many operations information as to the exact location is not known or inaccurate. Solid map, compass and GPS skills are essential for being able to navigate accurately and timely - first time, every time.

SARINZ offer a wide range of navigation courses, from basics to advanced. Our training is holistic and focused on real-world practical skills which make a difference. Our tutors are approved and current national assessors in bushcraft and navigation, are regular backcountry users and current SAR members who understand the requirements of the modern SAR practitioner.

Whilst primarily designed for Search and Rescue, our training is suitable to a wide range of outdoor users. We are confident that we can design and deliver training that delivers high performance, focused training to best meet your needs in a location and time that suits you.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Specific objectives will be determined between your course organiser and SARINZ to ensure we are best meeting your needs. These may include:

- A map is accurately orientated to north using a range of navigation tools - features, compass, sun, GPS.
- Accurate compass bearings are taken from a map and followed correctly with a compass and/or GPS.
- A predetermined point is reached following a route using at least four navigation techniques.
- Information is taken from a map and programmed into a GPS and followed using the GPS as the primary means of navigation.

COST

SARINZ is a registered Charitable Trust, and as such it only seeks to cover costs and minimal overheads. Any profit made by the Trust *MUST* be reinvested into Search and Rescue, usually through Research and Development (R&D). This means that an investment in our training is an investment in the future of SAR.

There is a fixed fee for the delivery of the course which is dependant upon the number of tutors required to best meet the needs of the participants. Travel and logistics vary according to location, and are charged back at actual cost - so if you have access to "local deals", this will reduce the cost of the training.

All course logistics such as participant accommodation, travel, meals, venue will be arranged by the course organisers.

WHAT NEXT

Please contact info@sarinz.com with your training request and we will prepare a quote that best meets your needs.

COURSE PROGRAMME

Pre-workshop:

Consists of reading and exercises designed to introduce you to key aspects of the training so we can focus on practical skills. This needs to be completed prior to the practical workshop.

Workshop:

Consists of the practical component of the course usually delivered over two days. Timing is variable due to logistics, but will be approximately 0830 until dark on both days and will often include an overnight camping component for those undertaking more advanced training.

PRE-REQUISITES

No formal pre-requisites, though to ensure safety in a wilderness environment, your fitness and off track travel ability must be sufficient to undertake the physical components of this course.

OUTCOMES

SARINZ can customise the course content to meet specific industry and/or organisational needs.

SARINZ can undertake assessment against a wide range of NZQA Unit Standards relevant to your training needs. These may include:

- 431 Navigate in the outdoors in good visibility
- 432 Navigate in the outdoors in poor visibility
- 26249 Demonstrate bushwalking knowledge and skills

There are no current NZQA Units available for GPS training, but we can train or assess to internal organisational competencies.

SARINZ can also incorporate elements of camping or tramping assessment into the navigation training if required. See our Bushcraft Flyer for more details.

