

# **Orienteering**

Map scale is accurate when printed on an 8 1/2" x 11" sheet size.

## 1:10,000 | 10 feet (3 meters)

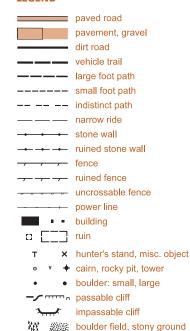
0 meters 250 West Backfield East Backfield Scout Field Fiddler Field Chambers Lake

Orienteering on this self-guided course allows you or your group to follow, at your leisure, a permanently marked route as an introduction to the sport. After completing this course, please try one of our local weekend events for a complete orienteering experience!



Blue meridian lines point to Magnetic North. No correction required for declination.

### **LEGEND**



contours, form line



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### **ORIENTEERING - What is it?**

Orienteering is a sport of Scandinavian origin. The game's objective is to locate fairly easy-to-find markers in the woods with the aid of a map and, if you like, a compass. The challenge of orienteering results from participants' not knowing ahead of time the markers' locations. The test lies in determining the best routes between these locations and, in the sport's competitive form, in finding all these points (called controls) in the least possible time. At its best, not only does orienteering improve your knowledge of geography and practical navigation, it enhances physical and mental fitness as well.

Orienteering is a sport for people of all ages, abilities, and gender. Participants can travel alone or in groups, running or strolling, to win the contest or merely to savor nature's beauty, which, as any orienteer will attest, is winning itself. The sport provides excellent family fare.



### **INFORMATION**

Hibernia Mansion was originally home to ironmasters in the 1800s and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The park encompasses more than 900 acres and has been in existence since the 1960s. For information about other park activities, contact: Hibernia County Park, One Park Road, Coatesville, PA 19302. Phone: 610.383.3812.

For information about local orienteering events, other area permanent courses, and club membership in eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, and Delaware, or for copies of this and other orienteering maps, please contact:

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For a complete orienteering experience, please try one of our local weekend events. You can find the schedule at www.dvoa.org. Membership entitles you to reduced map fees at all of our events.

Congratulations and thank you for participating!

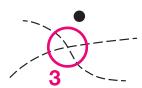
### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. This permanent orienteering course offers three variations: a short, middle, and long course. Reference the course control sheets for course distances and total course climb. The course begins at the Park Office, indicated on the map with a triangle symbol. The course ends at the adjacent parking lot, indicated on the map with a double circle symbol.
- 2. Familiarize yourself with the map before you begin. You must decide between the short course or middle and long courses when you reach control #3.

NOTE: Familiarization with the map relative to the fields, roads, and features shown is easier if you hold the map flat in front of you and rotate it until it is "oriented" to the terrain. Magnetic North lines will help if you have a compass, but you will find that the map is detailed enough that you may not need one on this course.

3. Set out to visit the controls in the sequence outlined on the map starting at the start triangle and proceeding towards control #1. Upon reaching each control, record, on the course control sheet provided, the letter code shown on the marker post placard (see illustrations to the right). You may also want to time yourself from start to finish.

As an example, consider an imaginary control #3, marked on the map as shown below:



Referring to the map legend, you note that the control location, the point at the center of the circle, seems to be crossing between two paths. To confirm the terrain feature on which the control is located, look at the description and feature symbols provided on the sample control sheet shown below.

|                  | Permanent Orienteering Course Control Sheet |  |   |                    |                   |   |  |  |  |
|------------------|---|--|---|--------------------|-------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                  | Short<br>Course                             |  |   | 2.2 km c<br>(1.4 n | distanc<br>niles) | е | 27m climb<br>(90 feet)                   |  |  |
| Co               | Control # / Letter Code                     |  | Control Descriptions Control Descriptions (Te |                    |                   |   | Control Descriptions (Text)              |  |  |
| $\triangleright$ |   |  |   |                    |                   |   | Start Triangle<br>Building (Park Office) |  |  |
| 1                |   |  | /   | /                  | Y                 |   | Road Junction                            |  |  |
| 2                |   |  |   |                    | 1.7               | Ċ | Boulder, 1.7m Height,<br>North Side      |  |  |
| 3                |   |  | /   | /                  | Y                 |   | Trail Junction                           |  |  |

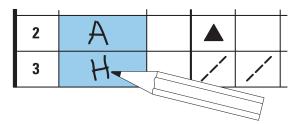
Suppose, after a fairly challenging and satisfying amount of navigation, you finally arrive at the vicinity of control #3. To your delight, you sight it precisely where it should be: at the foot path trail junction.



Take a closer look; you will notice the control number and letter code on the marker post placard.



By recording the letter code in the appropriate box on the control sheet, you provide proof of your visit to the control for later verification.



That's it! You're off to your next control, and so on to the finish.



### **SAFETY NOTES**

At the pace of a slow stroll, the course at Hibernia County Park can ordinarily be completed within 60-90 minutes. It is wise to take this into consideration, especially when setting off towards dusk.

On the remote chance you become hopelessly disoriented, make your way east to Park Road or Cedar Knoll Road. Remember that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west.

Some areas of the park may be hazardous. We told the Park Rangers we would remind you that you are responsible for you and your groups' safety.

# Hibernia County Park

| Hibernia County Park Permanent Orienteering Course Control Sheet |                             |    |      |                    |                   |                    |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|----|------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Short<br>Course  |                             |    | 2    | 2.2 km d<br>(1.4 n | listanc<br>niles) | е                  | 27m climb<br>(90 feet)                   |  |
| Co   | ntrol # / Letter Co         | de | (    | Control De         | escription        | ıs                 | Control Descriptions (Text)              |  |
| $\triangleright$   |                             |    | -    |                    |                   |                    | Start Triangle<br>Building (Park Office) |  |
| 1  |                             |    | /    | /                  | Y                 |                    | Road Junction                            |  |
| 2  |                             |    |      |                    | 1.7               | Ċ                  | Boulder, 1.7m Height,<br>North Side      |  |
| 3  |                             |    | >    | ÷                  |                   | $\overline{\cdot}$ | Vegetation Boundary,<br>Between          |  |
| 7  |                             |    |      |                    |                   |                    | Boulder                                  |  |
| 8  |                             |    | :::: |                    |                   | ŀ                  | Clearing, North West Corner<br>(Inside)  |  |
| 9  |                             |    | /    | /                  | Y                 | Ö                  | Trail Junction,<br>North West Side       |  |
|  | 500m (1,640 feet) to Finish |    |      |                    |                   |                    |  |  |

| Hibernia County Park Permanent Orienteering Course Control Sheet |                                   |    |            |                    |                   |    |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|----|------------|--------------------|-------------------|----|--|--|--|
| Middle<br>Course   |                                   |    | :          | 3.2 km c<br>(2.0 n | listanc<br>niles) | е  | 34m climb<br>(110 feet)                  |  |  |
| Co   | ntrol# / Letter Co                | de | (          | Control De         | escription        | ıs | Control Descriptions (Text)              |  |  |
| $\triangleright$   |                                   |    |            |                    |                   |    | Start Triangle<br>Building (Park Office) |  |  |
| 1  |                                   |    | /          | /                  | Y                 |    | Road Junction                            |  |  |
| 2  |                                   |    |            |                    | 1.7               | Ċ  | Boulder, 1.7m Height,<br>North Side      |  |  |
| 3  |                                   |    | À          | ÷                  |                   | •  | Vegetation Boundary,<br>Between          |  |  |
| 4  |                                   |    | ÷          |                    |                   | Τ  | Vegetation Boundary,<br>East End         |  |  |
| 5  |                                   |    | /          | /                  | Y                 |    | Trail Junction                           |  |  |
| 6  |                                   |    | <b>§</b> > |                    |                   |    | Waterhole                                |  |  |
| 8  |                                   |    |            |                    |                   | Ŀ  | Clearing, North West Corner<br>(Inside)  |  |  |
| 9  |                                   |    | /          | /                  | Y                 | Ö  | Trail Junction,<br>North West Side       |  |  |
|  | ○< 500m (1,640 feet) to Finish >○ |    |            |                    |                   |    |  |  |  |

|                  | Hibernia County Park Permanent Orienteering Course Control Sheet |     |                      |                    |                   |                    |  |  |
|------------------|--|-----|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|                  | Long<br>Course   |     |                      | 1.0 km d<br>(2.5 n | listanc<br>niles) | е                  | 64m climb<br>(210 feet)                  |  |
| Co               | ntrol# / Letter Co   | ode | Control Descriptions |                    |                   |                    | Control Descriptions (Text)              |  |
| $\triangleright$ |  |     |                      |                    |                   |                    | Start Triangle<br>Building (Park Office) |  |
| 1                |  |     | /                    | /                  | $\nearrow$        |                    | Road Junction                            |  |
| 2                |  |     |                      |                    | 1.7               | ·O                 | Boulder, 1.7m Height,<br>North Side      |  |
| 3                |  |     | >                    | >                  |                   | $\overline{\cdot}$ | Vegetation Boundary,<br>Between          |  |
| 4                |  |     | >                    |                    |                   | T                  | Vegetation Boundary,<br>East End         |  |
| 5                |  |     | /                    | /                  | Y                 |                    | Trail Junction                           |  |
| 6                |  |     | <b>\$</b> >          |                    |                   |                    | Waterhole                                |  |
| 8                |  |     |                      |                    |                   | ŀ                  | Clearing, North West Corner<br>(Inside)  |  |
| 9                |  |     | /                    | /                  | Y                 | Ö                  | Trail Junction,<br>North West Side       |  |
| 10               |  |     | ::::                 |                    |                   | >                  | Open Area, East Corner<br>(Inside)       |  |
| 11               |  |     |                      | #                  |                   |                    | Boulder, Undergrowth                     |  |
| 12               |  |     | X                    |                    |                   |                    | Man-Made Object                          |  |
|                  | 250m (820 feet) to Finish  |     |                      |                    |                   |                    |  |  |

NOTE: Control #7 is not included on the Middle and Long courses.

To check control letter codes, go to:

www.dvoa.org/learn/perm and select the course you have completed; or mail a copy of your noted course control sheet to: DVOA, 14 Lake Drive, Spring City, PA 19475.

Please include your phone, email, or mailing address for a reply.

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End Time: Phone Start Time: Date Course Completed Mailing Address Email

