

Vulcan Orienteering Club

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What is Orienteering?

Orienteering is a sport in which orienteers of all ages use an accurate, detailed map and a compass to find points in the landscape. It can be enjoyed as a walk with family/friends in the woods or as a competitive sport.

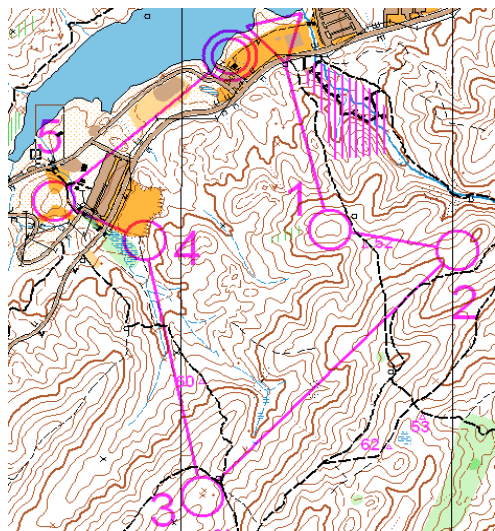
A standard orienteering course consists of a start, a series of control sites that are marked by circles, connected by lines and numbered in the order they are to be visited, and a finish. The control site circles are centered around the feature that is to be found; this feature is also defined by control descriptions (sometimes called clues). On the ground, a control flag marks the location that the orienteer must visit.

To verify a visit, the orienteer uses an electronic device to register the time into an e-stick the orienteer carries.

The route between "controls" (refers to the flag or the site) is not specified. It is entirely up to the orienteer. This element of route choice and the ability to navigate through the forest are the essence of orienteering.

Most orienteering events use staggered starts to ensure that each orienteer has a chance to do his or her own navigating, but there are several other popular formats, including events in which the orienteer must find as many controls as possible within a specified time.

Orienteering is a sport for everyone, regardless of age or experience. The competitive athlete can experience the exhilaration of running through the woods at top speed, while the non-competitive orienteer can enjoy the forest at a more leisurely pace. **Most events provide courses for all levels—from beginner to advanced.**



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YELLOW course - 2.43 km with 130 meters climb
START - field - north edge
control code 116 - HILL
control code 103 - SADDLE
control code 111 - south root stock
- west side - drinking water
control code 115 - knoll
control code 112 - hill
430 meters from last control to finish

Sample orienteering map with beginner's course - Sample control descriptions

Check VOC web site for the latest info. Schedule & location subject to change.

Date	Location	Description
Saturday, September 16, 2023	Oak Mtn State Park (Fishing Lakes)	VOC - local event
Saturday, October 21, 2023	Oak Mtn State Park (Tranquility Day Use)	VOC - local event
Saturday, November 18, 2023	Wind Creek State Park (Beach Area)	VOC - local event
Saturday, December 16, 2023	Oak Mtn State Park (Tranquility Day Use)	VOC - local event & NJROTC
Saturday, February 17, 2024	Oak Mtn State Park (Terrace Drive)	VOC - local event
Saturday, March 16, 2024	Oak Mtn State Park (Tranquility Day Use)	VOC - local event
Saturday, April 20, 2024	Oak Mtn State Park (Fishing Lakes)	VOC - local event
Saturday, May 11, 2024	Wind Creek State Park (South Picnic Area)	VOC - local event & cook-out