

FAQs NSP MTR1 #19386

The following is not intended to answer every possible question so if you still have any questions please feel free to ask:

Class Theme? Safety and hands on.

IOR? Instructor of Record

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Best contact method

Home: Leave a message

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Schedule? Draft document will be provided. Schedule is subject to change.

Camera? Yes, please bring your camera and please take lots of pictures.

Food and Water? You will be expected to feed and hydrate yourself starting the entire course. My personal plan is to have two liters of water per day for cooking, drinking, and sanitation. I plan to use dehydrated food (example Mountain House) for Saturday supper and Sunday breakfast that requires only heated water. I'll have "pocket food" and travel water for eating and drinking on the go all day in the field Saturday and Sunday.

Clothing? Saturday you are in class with walks to perform navigation exercises other classes and to setup your tent. Be prepared for weather we will spend time outside both days. Sunday you are in the field for approximately seven hours. For the field exercises you should wear your most comfortable hiking boots, gators, protective eye wear, gloves, and suitable clothing to go through thick underbrush in any kind of weather.

Toilet? You'll have scheduled break times and general access to some portion of the base area facilities at all times.

Field Latrine? There is no field latrine; a nighttime pee bottle is helpful.

Navigation Tools? If possible a field compass with a sighting mirror and adjustable declination, "UTM Grid Reader" (aka protractor) with multiple UTM scales \$6.00 at REI (<http://www.rei.com/product/641456>) or (www.maptools.com), a clear plastic straight edge 8 - 12 inches, note pad, writing instruments, and calculator. Please bring your GPS with spare batteries but don't go out and buy one for this class. You get to see and learn about many different GPS models.

Personal Equipment? First aid kit, tick spray, short (36") piece of practice rope, walking sticks (ski poles), sleeping bag, ground pad, tent, stove, spare fuel, utensils, something to heat water in, bowl/plate, insulated drinking cup, camp lighting, walkabout lighting (LED head lamp), spare batteries, walkabout pack for

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food/water/clothing/tools, personal hygiene, and as much else as you may need to be comfortable for two days and one night. I use a sleeping bag liner, tent candle and walking sticks.

Directions? Use a map, use www.mapquest.com, etc.. Destination is

Pat's Peak Ski Area
686 Flanders Road, Henniker, NH 03242
(old address: 24 Flanders Road)

Ski Area 1.888.PATS PEAK (1-888-728-7732)
<http://www.patspeak.com>

Parking? Vehicles should park in the center section of the main parking lot, where they will be under the watch of the video security system.

Night Time? The classroom building will be locked at night, but the patrol room will be open for emergencies and toilet.

Precautions? No open fires, cooking stoves only, food should be kept in sealed containers to keep animals away, no open latrine, and please don't leave the camping area without notifying someone (tent mate(s) and/or identified safety tent).

Misc? If you have a doubt about something, bring it and leave it in the vehicle that's just minutes rather than miles away. Also reference NSP MTR Manual.

No question is beyond my interest to make this a safe hands-on experience for you and your classmates. So please ask at anytime, but better sooner than later.

**Remember "...your secondary, can soon become someone's primary"!
John Caron IOR MTR1 2009**