



Orienteering At Ogden Water

This permanent orienteering course has been designed to give you the chance to try the sport of Orienteering, using your map reading skills to navigate around a course of 'Controls'.

The Courses

A 1.9Km Easy - On paths around the reservoir. Wheelchair accessible

B 3.9Km 130m of climb – More strenuous and harder navigation

C 4.8Km 130m of climb – Technically and physically demanding

The Map

Study the map carefully and use the 'Legend' to find out the meaning of the symbols. Note the Dam wall and car park area. These are big features that will help you 'orientate' your map.

The black parallel lines marked with the symbol  show the direction of Magnetic North.

The scale of the map is 1:10000 which means one centimetre on the map represents 100 metres on the ground.

The purple circles  with the accompanying letters marked on the map represent the controls and the letter is part of the code for that control. Each control has its own description e.g. Pond



This is an example of a control:



The purple triangle inside a purple circle marks the Start and Finish of all the courses.

Procedure

Each control post has a plaque and a number on it: 

The first control on course A has the code Y. When you find the post, you will see it has the code Y6 – write 6 in the square on the control card at the bottom of the map and then go to the second control. Your challenge is to visit the controls of your chosen course in the correct order. To check that you have been to the correct controls, when you have finished, go to the visitor centre and ask to see the Master Control list for your course.

There are 23 controls in total, so if you wish, you can plan your own course. Set yourself a time limit to visit all the controls as fast as you can or just walk around the area visiting each control.

We hope you enjoy your taste of orienteering – it can be as leisurely or as strenuous as you like. If you would like to try more orienteering, you can get details of orienteering and other permanent course from the EPOC website: www.eastpennineoc.org.uk

If you find any missing or damaged controls when you are doing your course, please could you inform East Pennine Orienteering Club so that remedial action can be taken to renew or repair the controls. The club can be contacted via email: eastpennineorienteeringclub@gmail.com

Maps for this permanent course are available from the Ogden Water Visitor Centre.

Access to the area is by courtesy of Calderdale Council, Yorkshire Water and local landowners.



Please be aware of ground nesting birds and new lambs when orienteering. You must keep your dog on a short lead between 1st March and 31 July whilst on any open access land (which are controls L, M, N and O on the Ogden Map) or at any time of the year near livestock.

Please observe the countryside code.

Only cross the boundary fence at the crossing points marked.

Climb the gates at the hinged end.

Do not drop litter in the area – take your map home!

Do not swim in or pollute the water.

Keep dogs under control.

Clean up after your dog.

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