

# Army field manual map reading and land navigation

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**What are the three types of military maps?** Defense Mapping Agency maps are classified by scale into three categories. They are small-, medium-, and large-scale maps (Figure 2-1). The terms “small scale,” “medium scale,” and “large scale” may be confusing when read in conjunction with the number.

**What are the three 3 main types of navigation?** Three main types of navigation are celestial, GPS, and map and compass. In order to better understand why we teach map and compass at High Trails, it is helpful to learn the basics of all three techniques.

**What are the names of the five major terrain features on a military map?** You must be able to recognize all the terrain features to locate a point on the ground or to navigate from one point to another. The five major terrain features are: Hill, Ridge, Valley, Saddle, and Depression. The three minor terrain features are: Draw, Spur and Cliff.

**What are the 3 basic rules of navigation?** At an absolute minimum, you should always have a proper lookout, operate at a safe speed and yield or give-way to another vessel when in doubt and to always avoid a collision, even if that means breaking a Navigation Rule to save lives and property damage.

**What are the three land navigation methods?** 5-41. There are three types of navigation: terrain association, general azimuth method, and point navigation.

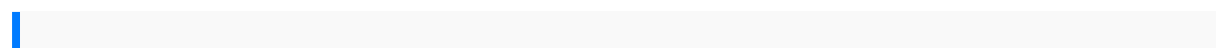
**What are the 4 types of navigation?** The field of navigation includes four general categories: land navigation, marine navigation, aeronautic navigation, and space

navigation.

**How do you read a military map?** The vertical grid lines determine East-West position and the horizontal grid lines determine North-South position. Look along the bottom edge of the map at the labels for the vertical grid lines. The two grid lines are 1000 meters apart. The horizontal grid lines are labeled in a similar manner.

**What is Army land navigation?** Land Navigation is the discipline of following a route through unfamiliar terrain on foot or by vehicle, using maps with reference to terrain, a compass, and other navigation tools. These skills are an essential part of military training, and our cadets are coached and developed in order to perfect these skills!

**How do you read a map?** North is directly up on standard maps; south is directly down; east is directly right; and west is directly left. If this is ever not the case, there will be something on the map that tells you this. This will usually be an arrow, a cross, or some kind of pointed star that shows which direction is north.



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