

FARREL-MCWHIRTER CONTROL DESCRIPTIONS

Farrek-McWhirter Permanent					
Beginner	0.7 km	0 m			
▷					Start:
1	27			•○	W side of fence
2	8			•○	W side of fence
3	18	○		○	NE side of Stump
4	7			○	N edge of vegetation boundary
5	3			○	N edge of vegetation boundary
⊗	110 m			⊗	Navigate 110 m to finish

Farrek-McWhirter Permanent					
Adv Beginner	1.2 km	15 m			
▷					Start:
1	25			↗	NE end of bridge
2	15		<	○	N side of bend in path
3	2		<		Bend in path
4	19	○		○•	E side of Stump
5	22	○		○•	E side of Stump
6	28			↗	NE end of bridge
7	17		<		Bend in path
⊗	160 m			⊗	Navigate 160 m to finish

Farrek-McWhirter Permanent					
Intermediate 1	1.9 km	35 m			
▷					Start:
1	24			≡	Between ditch and path
2	21			○	N side of path
3	4		Y	○	S side of path and fence junction
4	11	○		•○	W side of Stump
5	26			○•	E side of fence
6	10			⊥	W end of path
7	1		Y		Path junction
8	20			○	N side of path
9	14			○	S part of vegetation boundary
⊗	170 m			⊗	Navigate 170 m to finish

Farrek-McWhirter Permanent					
Intermediate 2	2.0 km	40 m			
▷					Start:
1	8			•○	W side of fence
2	5		<		Bend in path
3	12			○•	E side of road
4	16			○	N edge of vegetation boundary
5	9			○	E edge of vegetation boundary
6	6			•○	W side of road
7	23			○	S side of root stock
8	13		Y	•○	W side of path junction
⊗	250 m			⊗	Navigate 250 m to finish

Control descriptions may look like hieroglyphics, but they are designed that way because orienteering is an international sport. By learning the symbols found on control descriptions, you'll be able to orienteer anywhere in the world!

There are eight available columns of information, which is a lot. But don't worry about understanding them all, because the first two columns have the most essential information, and are also the easiest to learn.

The FIRST COLUMN denotes what order you must find the controls in, and the very important SECOND COLUMN denotes the number that you will find on the physical control. If you see "2, 85," that is the second control you must find and you will see the number 85 on the control when you find it.

The next most useful column is the SEVENTH COLUMN. This column tells you what side of a feature the control is on. So if the control is on a boulder, this column will tell you which side of the boulder the control is on. These symbols are the most intuitive to learn, as well as the most helpful to know.

The OTHER COLUMNS take more time to learn, but also don't show you much information that the map doesn't show you already. Fortunately, the columns that are the most challenging to learn, are the least essential ones! Learning control description symbols may feel intimidating, but don't let that stop you from orienteering. You can have fun and complete an orienteering course by reading just the first two columns, the easiest columns to learn! You can learn the symbols in the other columns over time. A control description

legend can be found at cascadeoc.org, or through a quick Google search.

More information at: cascadeoc.org