



TRACKING STEP BY STEP... JOEL HARDIN PROFESSIONAL TRACKING SERVICES

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2018 TRACKING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN

**Training Offered By 3-FIRES TRACKERS - JHPTS -VTATI
And
Great Lakes Regional Training & Standards Board**

5-DAY TRACKING TRAINING COURSE

Date: April 23-27, 2018

Time: 08:00 a.m., Monday, April 23, 2018 through 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 27, 2018

Location: YMCA Hayo-Went-Ha Camps, 1380 East Arbutus Lake Rd., Traverse City, MI 49686. This is a first class camp which houses up to 200 young people and counselors during the season from May to October.

Course Cost: \$200 for Tribal Law Enforcement Officers - \$450 for all interested persons. Tuition includes 5 nights lodging with arrival on Sunday, April 22nd – meals beginning with breakfast Monday morning and ending with lunch on Friday April 27th before your departure. \$100 deposit required to reserve space in this professional tracking class. Deposit due by April 14th, 2018 balance of tuition to be paid at registration. Bring your own sleeping bag or similar and toilet articles including a towel.

Meals & Accommodations: Dormitory style accommodations are provided Sunday through Thursday nights. Meals and snacks are provided from Monday breakfast through Friday Lunch.

This will be a dual level training course inviting JHPTS certified trackers and all other interested persons with no previous law enforcement or search and rescue experience. Training will focus on law enforcement officer initial response and investigation of possible criminal misconduct incidents and missing persons searching.

There are NO prerequisites for this training presentation. This tracking course is open to all persons with tracking interests regardless of previous experience or training. All tracking students will be provided training at an appropriate level for their development and upward progress.

Course Content: Novice and Basic Tracker Training Levels. This will be a 46 hour course beginning at 8:00 am Monday April 23rd, 2018 with registration and lecture including power point presentation to provide Novice and Basic tracker understanding of training methodology, techniques and procedures. The presentation supports field training by providing student understanding of training methods, manner and objectives. "Tracking" is a first response primary search resource used to verify witness statements, establish the "PLS", direction of subject travel and following the physical evidence to the missing person. Field training will allow "student tracking team" experimentation and "hands-on" practice of fundamental tracking techniques. Novice students will progress from initial identifying a print, to "step-by-step" every track concept of following an identified sign line and practical tracking team response.



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Advanced Tracker Training Levels: This is a "skill development" training program for Apprentice and Journeyman level tracking students. Students at these levels have acquired Basic Tracker understanding and will be introduced to practical tracking techniques and applications necessary to become a viable resource for SAR and law enforcement initial response and investigations. Advanced Trackers will locate and examine scenes, preserving, documenting and presenting tracking evidence, while working simulated crime scenes. Additionally students at this level will be learning training and advanced tracking techniques and methodologies. They learn how to locate, document and secure tracking evidence as well as presenting their knowledge and skill.

Student Needs: Students should be physically fit and equipped for SAR & law enforcement field response. Field practice will continue during any inclement weather, students should be properly prepared with wet/dry, cold/hot weather gear. Knee pads may be helpful. Students need to bring a pen/pencil, note pad, small measuring tape, 5/8 inch doweling or similar, 36 to 40 inches long, with three rubber bands to use as a tracking stick and a two or three cell incandescent flashlight.

Registration: Students must pre-register by April 14th, 2018 for this course with a \$100 deposit. If you have any questions regarding the class or class location please contact Kevin Willis at 231-242-1670 or email at kwillis@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Send registration form and \$100 deposit to Kevin Willis at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. Pre-registered students failing to attend this course without a reasonable excuse will be assessed the \$100.00 service fee.

Sponsor Information: This course is sponsored by 3-Fires Trackers, Great Lakes Training and Standards Board and JHPTS-VTATI. All interested law enforcement and SAR volunteer personnel are invited to attend.



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TRAINING COURSE REGISTRATION

Course Applicant: Please complete this form and send via email attachment or regular mail to: Kevin Willis at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or kwillis@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Course Location: YMCA Hayo-Went-Ha Camps, 1380 East Arbutus Lake Rd.,
Traverse City, MI 49686

Course Date: April 23-27,2018

Course Name: Tracking

Student Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

Prov/State: **Postal Code:**

Phone #: **Group/Unit/County:**

E-Mail Address:

Current JHPTS Certification *(please check one) (you may double click on the appropriate square and change the default value from Not Checked to Checked)*

New Student Basic Tracker Apprentice Tracker

Journeyman Tracker Sign Cutter

Deposit Enclosed \$100.00 Tuition Fee Enclosed \$_____

Applicant: Please note any requests, dietary needs or questions that you have and wish a response from the contact person.
