



The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association  
Interest Badge Syllabus  
**Guide Section**

**Map Reading**

At the assessment, bring a Hong Kong Map HM20C/WGS84 1:20,000 and a Silva compass. Discuss with the Assessor how to choose and use a map.

In the assessment show the following according to the Assessor's requirement:

- I.
  1. Understand the information in a map of HM20C/WGS84. Be able to answer the Assessors' questions.
  2. Know the types of maps and their maintenance and demonstrate how to fold a map of HM20C/WGS84.
  3. Set a map:
    - i. With a compass.
    - ii. Without a compass, e.g. by sun, stars or landmarks.
  4. On a map measure the distance between two places.
  5. On a given place, find out its location using grid reference (4 figures and 6 figures) and tell its covering area.
  6. From a map of HM20C/WGS84, describe a route of about 6 km chosen by the Assessor.
  7. Recognize different geographical features, such as spur, valley, pass, cliff, river and so on by reading contours.
- II.
  1. Illustrate the basic structure of a Silva compass by a diagram and explain the maintenance of such a compass.
  2. Use the Silva compass to find the Forward Bearing and Backward Bearing of two points.
  3. Demonstrate how to use a compass with a map for navigation.

**Remarks**

An appointed Guider who holds a valid HKAYP Expedition Instructor Certificate may take this badge assessment for her own Unit.

**Hong Kong Award for Young People**

1. Holders of this badge are qualified for the map reading lesson in the Expedition Section in the Bronze Level of the HONG KONG AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.
2. Candidates who have completed the Expedition Section in the Bronze Level of the HONG KONG AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE are qualified for this badge.