

Winter Field Session [WFS]

This 1-day course takes you beyond the Survival Core Seminar, emphasizing useful winter forest resources, fire lighting, shelter building, knifecraft, dealing with the winter forest, using proper survival tools and melting snow. You gain confidence in solid modern survival techniques that can be quickly anywhere in the Canadian wilderness. This training gives you the chance to develop and practice winter survival skills, it has a relaxed hands-on learning atmosphere. It will allow you an excellent look at the challenges of the Canadian wilderness in winter.

Participants will have the opportunity to build a winter survival shelters and learn to properly use various survival tools. Firecraft practice will be extensive and emphasis will be on lighting fire with natural tinder and a flint striker. Participants will build a survival shelter. The **Winter Field Session** and the **Summer Field Session** are complementary courses, each with both new an emphasis on fire lighting. The following points will be discussed or practiced on this course:



Each course participant receives a MoraKniv, and a Fire Lighting Kit with matches, tinder, a lighter and candles.

Knifecraft

- Safely using a Survival Knife
- Basic Knife Handling

Using Survival Tools

- Build and Use a Baton
- Basic Notches
- Useful Knots

Water Purification

- Collecting and Melting Snow

Fire Lighting

- Finding Natural Tinder
- Finding Natural Fire Lighting Aids
- Fire Lighting with a Striker
- Survival Twig Bundles

- Getting a Fire Started
- Keeping a Fire Burning
- Selection of Proper Wood
- Cooking with a Cooking Fire

Shelter Building

- Winter Survival Shelters
- Single Super Shelters
- Building a Bough Bed
- Building Winter Shelters

The Boreal Forest

- Trees of the Boreal Forest
- Useful plants of the Winter Forest
- Survival Camp Locations
- Use and Identification of Aspect/Slope
- Safe Travel through the Winter Forest

Prerequisite: *Survival Core Seminar.*

Location: Boreal Forest Location or as Contracted.

Dates: As per Web Site Calendar or as Contracted.

Course Time Frame: 8-hours (09:00hrs till 17:00hrs).

Group Size: Groups up to 12, 10 or less recommended.

Cost: \$175 per person or \$600 plus \$25 per person for MoraKniv and fire lighting gear.

Optional Overnight: For custom groups, an optional overnight +\$600.