

IOF Control Descriptions

This is a summary of the IOF pictorial control descriptions. Full details can be obtained from the IOF web site at <http://www.orienteering.org>

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
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- A Control number
- B Control code
- C Which of any similar feature
- D Control feature
- E Appearance
- F Dimensions/combinations
- G Location of control flag
- H Other information

C - Which Feature

↑	Northern
⇌	Upper
⇌	Lower
⇌	Middle

D - Control Feature

See below.

E - Appearance

()	Low
()	Shallow
U	Deep
⊞	Overgrown
⊞	Open
⊞	Rocky, Stony
⊞	Marshy
⊞	Sandy
⊞	Needle leaved
⊞	Broad leaved
⊞	Ruined

G - Location of Flag

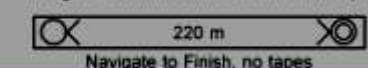
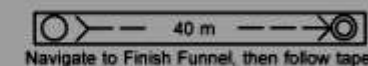
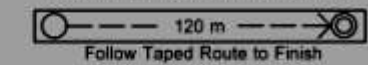
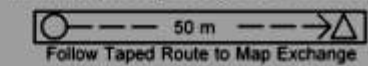
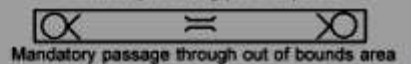
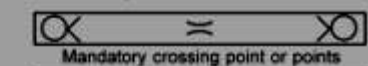
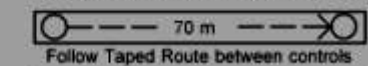
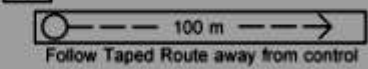
○	West Side
○	South East Edge
○	East Part
⊞	South West Corner (inside)
⊞	North Corner (outside)
⊞	North West Tip
⊞	Bend
⊞	South East End
⊞	Upper Part
⊞	Lower Part
⊞	Top
⊞	Beneath
⊞	Foot
⊞	North East Foot
⊞	Between

F - Dimensions

1.5	Height or Depth
5 x 3	Size
1.0 / 2.5	Height on slope
1.5	Heights of two features
2.5	Crossing
X	Junction

H - Other Information

+	First aid post
☑	Refreshment point
⚡	Radio or TV control
⊞	Control check



Land forms

⊞	Terrace
⊞	Spur
⊞	Re-entrant
⊞	Earth bank
⊞	Quarry
⊞	Earth wall
⊞	Erosion gully
⊞	Small erosion gully
⊞	Hill

Water and marsh

⊞	Lake
●	Pond
∇	Waterhole
⊞	River, Stream, Watercourse
⊞	Minor water channel, Ditch
⊞	Narrow marsh
⊞	Marsh
⊞	Firm ground in marsh
○	Well

Man-made features

⊞	Road
⊞	Track/Path
⊞	Ride
⊞	Bridge
⊞	Power line
⊞	Power line pylon
⊞	Tunnel
⊞	Stone wall
⊞	Fence

●	Knoll
⊞	Saddle
⊞	Depression
⊞	Small depression
⊞	Pit
⊞	Broken ground
⊞	Ant hill

Rock and boulders

⊞	Cliff, Rock face
⊞	Rock pillar
⊞	Cave
⊞	Boulder
⊞	Boulder field
⊞	Boulder cluster
⊞	Stony ground
⊞	Bare rock
⊞	Narrow passage

⊞	Spring
⊞	Water tank, Water trough

Vegetation

⊞	Open land
⊞	Semi-open land
⊞	Forest corner
⊞	Clearing
⊞	Thicket
⊞	Linear thicket
⊞	Vegetation boundary
⊞	Copse
⊞	Distinctive tree
⊞	Tree stump, Root stock

⊞	Crossing point
⊞	Building
⊞	Paved area
⊞	Ruin
⊞	Pipeline
⊞	Tower
⊞	Shooting platform
⊞	Boundary stone, Cairn
⊞	Fodder rack
⊞	Platform
⊞	Monument or Statue
⊞	Building pass through
⊞	Stairway

Special features

⊞	Special item
○	Special item

