

# Fieldcraft Academy

## Fieldcraft Courses



The Fieldcraft Academy offers a series of courses which are intended to build the basic skill set needed for a successful outdoor experience and to ensure your chances of surviving if you become lost in the wilderness. These courses comprise the core curriculum of Fieldcraft Academy program of instruction. Field First Aid and Wilderness First Aid are a completely separate curriculum due to the level of training and time required for each first aid course.

To facilitate the best learning experience, each participant needs to carry their *Absolute Essentials* in each of these courses. A quality sharp pocketknife is essential for all courses, and in some courses, additional personal equipment may be needed. An example would be a personal cook kit and eating utensils for participation in a *Field Cooking Course*, and a water bottle or canteen for the *Water Gathering & Disinfection* course.

### *Basic Fire Craft*

- fashioning a tinder bundle
- wood and resource gathering
- fire set up and fire lay
- setting up for your "next fire"

### *Quick Shelter Set-up*

- choosing a good location
- ridgelines and setting up knots
- tarp configuration and placement
- setting up a sleeping area

### *Water Gathering & Disinfecting*

- sources of water and where to find water
- constructing a field filter
- boiling to disinfect water
- chemical methods for disinfecting water

### *Field Cooking Course*

- basic cooking fire set-up
- preparing before leaving home
- tools, cook kits, and utensils
- camp kitchen set-up

### *Camp & Woods Tool Crafting*

- carving pegs, toggles, a marlinespike, and small implements
- fashioning tongs, a mallet, and other tools
- fashioning a burn bowl or Kuksa