

BASIC VISUAL TRACKING

ELECTIVE

Australian
Air Training Corps

Cadet / Instructor Notes

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ELECTIVE SERVICE TRAINING

BASIC VISUAL TRACKING (VTE)

(21 Periods which includes a bivouac)

VTE is for cadets who have completed Advanced Stage and is a non-assessed course. The VTE course is designed to enhance the skills and training in survival techniques that has already been achieved throughout the cadets other stages of training. VTE can also be used in FC and SV training where the identification of animal and human tracks may lead to the possibility of rescue and or the dangers of wild animals in the vicinity.

VTE 1	1 INTRODUCTION	Period(s): 1
a.	State the principles of tracking	
VTE 2	2 TYPES OF SIGN	Period(s): 1
a.	Explain Temporary and Permanent sign	
b.	Describe Big and Small Top Sign	
c.	Understand Large and Small Ground Sign	
VTE 3	3 TECHNIQUES FOR DETECTING SIGN	Period(s): 1
a.	Understand where to look for sign	
b.	Understand how to look for sign	

VTE 4 PRACTICAL

c.

Period(s): 1

Construct three date/time boxes side by side.

VTE 5 ANIMAL TRACKS

Period(s): 1

- a. Understand the difference in animal tracks.
- b. Explain the eating habits of carnivores and herbivores.

Explain how the environment assists the tracker

c. Understand the animal habits and likely movement times