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# Kinark Outdoor Centre

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**Re: Green Check Certification and Outdoor Centres**

Dear Mr. Steer,

Recently, Kinark staff completed the Green Check GPS Certification program for participants and instructors. We are pleased to offer this letter of recommendation for a number of reasons.

Spatial information – through the use of a GPS unit and satellite telephone – is an important safety consideration for emergency plans and procedures. We are now well trained with regards to the use of the GPS unit, its settings and application.

The Green Check GPS Certification program highlighted the relationship between the map, the compass and the GPS unit. Activities were based on application of the knowledge and skills that were presented. "What do those numbers mean anyway?" is a complementary resource to review what is learned in the participants and instructors sessions. We now able to offer the Green Check GPS Certification program.

With regards to programming we are now able to develop and deliver unique educational experiences for school groups that utilize GPS technology.

Kinark is pleased to be part of the Green Check GPS Certification network of instructors. We recommend other outdoor centres consider such training.

Sincerely,



Jim McHardy  
Director  
Kinark Outdoor Centre