

UMD College Park

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**April 16
Saturday**



Read

All Notes Below for this Sprint Event.

Welcome back to the University of Maryland College Park campus. This *Saturday* event marks our first event here since 2017. QOC is offering three sprint courses designed by our Mapping Director Ted Good on his updated map.

Thanks to Professor of Physics and Professor of Geology (and QOC Member) Dan Lathrop for arranging sponsorship for this event through the UMD Physics Department in coordination with the [UMD Vortex Makerspace](#) [2].

Parking is planned in lots 9B, XX1, and 11B as described in the Location Details below.

Restrooms for QOC use will be in the Kim Engineering Building or across the street from check in at the AV Williams Building. Facial coverings are required to enter all UMD buildings. No spikes in the building. Given the urban nature of the sprint courses, metal spikes will not be helpful and are likely to damage the venue. Consequently, **metal spikes are prohibited on the course and inside all UMD buildings.**

Because Sprint courses can be run quickly, Ted has designed these so participants can run all three courses. This means **we plan to keep the Start open until 2:15 pm (last check-in window 1:45-2pm), but you'll still need to finish and be off the courses by 3 pm when we start control pickup.** Online registration will allow you to choose which courses you plan to run, including options for up to all three.

If you are running a second or third course, after your first course, you need to download and then return to check-in and get your next map, then return to the e-punch station to check in for the new course and go have fun.

If you are not familiar with Sprint map symbols, read Ted's map notes (below and linked).



COVID Risk Reduction Protocols:

As with all 2021-2022 QOC events, this event requires pre-registration via the link below. QOC's COVID risk reduction protocols, as also enumerated somewhat [here](#) [3], are in effect. Please read these guidelines carefully. Key points:

- **PROPERLY WORN MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ARE REQUIRED** at all times when near registration, e-punch and any other areas or queues where volunteers and/or participants are congregating.
- No water will be provided. Provide for your own hydration needs before, during, and after the event.
- There is no planned, on-site beginner instruction, but beginners are encouraged to watch relevant videos such as [this one](#) [4] created by QOC's instructional guru David Onkst.

Other points:

- Any large groups planning to attend the event (or anyone with questions): please contact the [Event Director](#) [5].
- The size of start teams (groups of individuals orienteering together with one e-punch) on a course must be no more than four (4) individuals (juniors and adults combined).
- Pets are permitted on campus but must be leashed at all times.
- **You're Invited!** QOC veteran Sidney Sachs will host a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, April 19 at 8pm to review selected course legs and analyze the routes various orienteers took. Please contact [Sid Sachs](#) [6] for the invite link.

Location

U. Maryland, College Park, Kim Engineering Plaza
(Sprint)

Registration