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**SPOT GPS Device Operation –
Two Key Points for Trek Leaders**

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Purpose of this guideline

This is a very brief supplement to other, and much more detailed, videos and PDF guidelines that focus on training trek leaders on how to properly operate the SPOT GPS device. It should not be relied upon as the sole source of information for trek leader training. This supplement simply reinforces the most critical points for ensuring good SPOT signals are broadcast and resulting good GPS location updates are displayed on the operator's Family and Friends Map.

In particular, operators must ensure trek leaders have watched and thoroughly understood the training video available on the TrekTraka website at: <http://www.trektraka.com/trektraka-training-resources/>



Trek Leader Training Video – Operating SPOT GPS Device

Proper operation of the SPOT GPS device

To operate the SPOT GPS device properly, the two key things trek leaders must remember are:

1. Two buttons must blink green

First press the ON button and make it blink green.

Then press the TRACK button and keep it pressed until it also blinks green.



Both buttons will then blink green at the same time. SPOT is now On and Tracking. It will now send its location to the satellites 1,400km above about every 10 minutes.

Leave the SPOT GPS turned on and blinking all the time the trek leader is walking – from leaving morning camp to arriving at evening camp. After arriving at evening camp press the On button to turn the device Off.

Always carry one spare set of batteries. If the On button blinks Red the batteries are flat and must be replaced. Fresh batteries can last up to 14 days. But always carry a spare set. The device requires 3 AAA lithium batteries to operate properly and handle extreme cold weather.

2. Place SPOT on the top of your pack facing the sky

SPOT needs a clear view of the sky and the satellites overhead.

Place SPOT on the top of your pack so that it lies flat and faces up toward the sky.



- On top of pack
- Facing up to sky



SPOT can also be used on a car if it has a luggage rack on the roof. Just strap it securely facing the sky. SPOT is rain and dust proof. SPOT may also be placed on the dashboard of a car, however it works less well there if it does not have a clear view of the sky.



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