Setting a Map by Compass

1. Find the Magnetic North Arrow (‘A’), normally in the top margin of the map. With a ruler or the edge of the compass, extend the line.

2. Lay the compass on the map so the Direction of Travel Arrow line (‘B’) on the compass coincides with the magnetic North Arrow line on the map.

3. Now turn both map and compass so that the Magnetic Needle in the compass (‘C’) coincides with the Direction of Travel Arrow line and also the magnetic North Arrow line on the map.

4. The map is now set.

To avoid removing the map from its protective cover during inclement weather, it is possible to set the map sufficiently accurately for all practical purposes by laying the edge of the compass along any Easting grid line. Then turn the map and compass until the Magnetic Needle in the compass coincides with the Direction of Travel Line.