

★ Sight Reduction Form ★

Sun sights only. To be used with Long-Term Sun Ephemerides Table from www.siranah.de

Body	SUN		Date to Nearest Integral Hour		Y/M/D H rounded
Date			Correction for OT		
Watch Time			Orbital Time (OT)		Y/M/D H
Watch Timezone		east - subtract west - add	E from Table GHA and Decl.		Diff:
Watch Correction		fast watch - subtract slow watch - add	Interpolation of E Diff		
Time (UTC)			Corrected E		
Sextant Altitude			Diurnal Arc (Hours & 10Mins)		UTC time, not OT!
Index Correction		on the arc - subtract off the arc - add			
Dip (Eye Height)		always subtract	Diurnal Arc (Mins & Secs)		UTC time, not OT!
Total Apparent Altitude (Ha)			GHA		
Semidiometer		upper limb - subtract lower limb - add	(a) Assumed Longitude		
Atmospheric Correction			(b) +/- 360°		if LHA < 0° or > 360°
Total Observed Altitude (Ho)			LHA		W Long = GHA-a+b E Long = GHA +a+b
Line of position calculation:			Assumed Latitude (B)		
$Hc = \arcsin (\sin Dec \sin B + \cos Dec \cos B \cos LHA)$			Dec from Table GHA and Decl.		Diff:
$Z = \arccos [(\sin Dec - \sin B \sin Hc) / (\cos Hc \cos B)]$			Interpolation of Dec Diff		
N Latitude (B): if LHA > 180° Zn=Z; if LHA < 180° Zn = 360°-Z S Latitude (B): if LHA > 180° Zn=180°-Z; if LHA < 180° Zn = 180°+Z			Total Declination (Dec)		Same / Contrary to B

