

## CHAPTER 8650 - THE FIREFINDER (1987)

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Most fires are located from lookouts by the use of angular measurements. Extreme care must be taken that errors do not enter into the measurements of direction (azimuth). The firefinder is the lookout's transit. In fact, this instrument is as accurate as the surveyor's transit for the measurement of horizontal angles (azimuth) when properly oriented, adjusted, and read (see [Typical Firefinder](#)).

Although the firefinder in most general use today is the Osborne, the following instructions will apply to all types of instruments.

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