

The McToon Sextant Challenge



It is July 18, 1982 and you find yourself lost at sea.

You only know you are within 1200 miles of Hawaii.

Your boat is traveling on a heading of 252° at 6.9 knots.

You take sextant readings of 2 stars from an eye height of 9 feet:

Vega: Time = 22:37:30 Sextant Reading = $47^\circ 22.5'$

Alkaid: Time = 22:40:14 Sextant Reading = $59^\circ 14.0'$

Your watch's Zone Description is +7 hours (UTC = WT+7)

The index correction and watch error are both zero.

Challenge: Find your position as accurately as you can!