

The **Cardinal Points** are **North East South West**

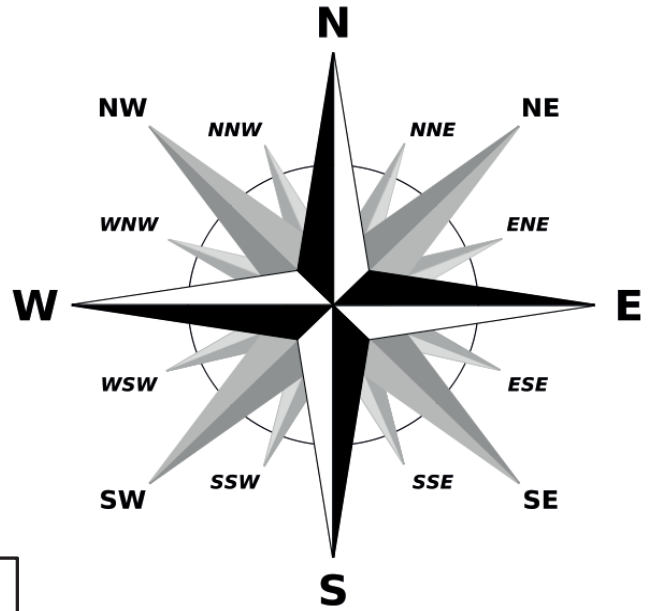
**Cardinal points** and **Degrees** are used to tell direction.

A **compass** uses degrees. There are 360 degrees on a compass rose.



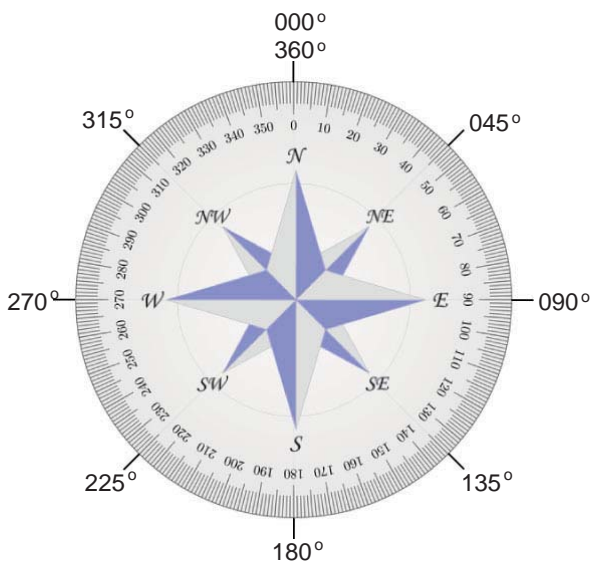
Say or write bearings and courses as a 3 digit numbers

5°	005°
90°	090°
270°	270°



**Degrees** are used to give accurate **courses, heading** and **bearings**

**Compass Dial**

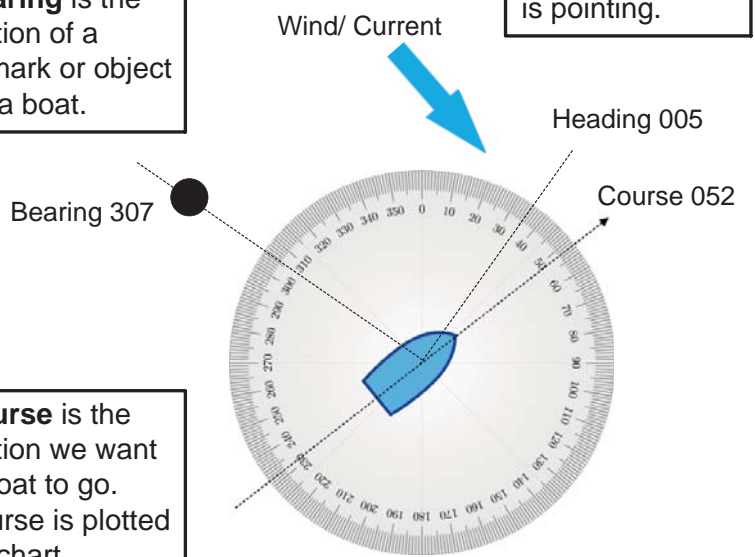


**Course, Heading and Bearings**

A **bearing** is the direction of a landmark or object from a boat.

A **heading** is the direction a boat is pointing.

A **course** is the direction we want the boat to go. A course is plotted on a chart



*Remember: a compass always points north.*

Wind and current make us change the **heading** to stay on **course**.