The grid divides Somalia into 404 rectangles each corresponding to
the internationally recognized topographic map files.

Each of these rectangles is given a unique alpha-numeric reference number. Each
of these rectangles is then sub-divided into 80 square cells, 10 across and 8 down.
Each square cell is approximately 5 km by 5 km, representing an area of 25 square km.
The square cells are referenced from A to K horizontally and from 1 to 8 vertically.

To report your position:

- Locate the square cell you are in on the map using estimated distance and
direction from a known point such as a clinics, schools or settlements as a guide.

- Note the alpha-numeric rectangle code (e.g. NA-38-085)

- Note the numeric reference of the square cell

- Note the Alphabetic reference of the square cell.

- When reporting your position, quote the full grid reference by combining the
two references (e.g. NA-38-085-2B).