

## Re: GPS watch (like Garmin ForeRunner) and tree cover

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Leafing through rec.running, I read Ignoramus24825's message of 17 Nov 2004:

>> *I have carried the Vista in my hand while jogging in wooded areas, and  
>> it has worked just fine. The paths I jog on, however, are wide enough  
>> that they are generally not shadowed.*  
>  
> *Thanks. To give you an idea, I run on a sidewalk along a four lane  
> road, the road is not all shadowed, but there are shadowy areas.*

If this is your usual route, you won't have too much of a signal loss problem.

>> *One problem I've had: I run in the very early morning, and find it  
>> difficult to read the screen while running in semidarkness, even with  
>> the backlight. I believe the numbers displayed on the wrist-style  
>> receivers are much larger, probably for just this reason.*  
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> *Thanks, that's actually quite important for me, especially going into  
> winter. I have enough lighting on that particular road, not in all  
> places, but in enough places.*

The Forerunner has a very bright backlight feature. This will not be an issue.

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