

# Re: Wind Directions?

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"W. Watson" <[wolf\\_tracks@xxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:wolf_tracks@xxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
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- > The official wind directions around the compass clockwise are:
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- > North – North North East – North East – East North East – East
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- > East – East South East – South East – South South East – South
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- > South South West – South West – West South West – West
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- > West North West – North West – North North West – North
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- > Is there actually some order to this nomenclature?
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- > Wayne T. Watson (Watson Adventures, Prop., Nevada City, CA)
- > (121.015 Deg. W, 39.262 Deg. N) GMT-8 hr std. time)
- > Obz Site: 39° 15' 7" N, 121° 2' 32" W, 2700 feet
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- > Web Page: <[home.earthlink.net/~mtnviews](http://home.earthlink.net/~mtnviews)>

Yes.  
Start with one letter N, E, S, W.

Half way between any of them is denoted with two letters,  
but N or S are always taken first. So you get NE, NW, SE, SW

Halfway between a one letter X and a two letter YZ, you always  
start twith the one letter.

So you get (making sure you don't write he impossible ones):  
N-NE, N-NW,  
E-NE, E-SE,  
S-SE, S-SW  
W-NW, W-SE

You can go on if you like now. Always write the shortest  
before the longest. Examples: SEESESESESESE  
See if you can find what it means ;-)

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