



## Unit 1: Getting started in verification

For these 5 lessons, we recommend you download three books as many of the readings will be taken from them.

1. The Verification Handbook: A Definitive Guide to Verifying Digital Content for Emergency Coverage. Edited by Craig Silverman. Available at <http://verificationhandbook.com>
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3. The Verification Handbook for Investigative Reporting: A Guide to Online Search and Research Techniques for using UGC and Open Source Information in Investigations Social. Edited by Craig Silverman. Available at <http://verificationhandbook.com/book2>
4. Social Newsgathering: A Collection of Storyful Blog Posts. Edited by Claire Wardle. Available at <https://itunes.apple.com/us/book/social-newsgathering/id596436867?mt=13>

### Required Reading

Steve Buttry, Verification Fundamentals: Rules to Live by. *Verification Handbook*. Available at <http://verificationhandbook.com/book/chapter2.php> or Chapter 2 of *The Verification Handbook*

Bellingcat, Bellingcat's Digital Forensic Tools. Available at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BfLPJpRtyq4RFtHJoNpvWQjmGnyVkfE2HYoICKOGguA/edit>

Eoghan Sweeney, Verification Bookmarks. Available at [\*\*Verification Tools and Services.html\*\*](#)

European Journalism Centre, List of Verification Tools. Available at: <http://verificationhandbook.com/book/chapter10.php>

InVid, Video explaining the InVID verification toolbox <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nmgbFODPiBY&feature=youtu.be>.



You can download the plugin here:

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/fake-video-news-debunker/mhccpoafgdgbhnjfhkcmgknndkeenfhe?hl=en>

## Required Resources

[First Draft Video Verification Checklist](#)

[First Draft Image Verification Checklist](#)

[First Draft NewsCheck Chrome Extension](#)