

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR USE OF METAL DETECTORS

South Bend Venues Parks & Arts Department

Permit Conditions:

1. Metal detecting activity on South Bend Parks property requires a valid permit issued by the City of South Bend and shall be carried by the permittee at all times while metal detecting in City-owned parks.
2. Metal detecting activity is prohibited on the following areas: City-owned or operated golf courses, softball or baseball fields, newly seeded lawns, within the greater of (i) 25-feet of a tree or (ii) within the drip-line of the tree, flower beds, garden areas, or any other garden areas restricted by signage.
3. The Permittee shall not disturb other patrons or interfere with their activities. The Permittee agrees to assume responsibility for any injury to person and/or property damage resulting from his/her metal detecting activities.
4. When metal detecting, the surrounding environment shall not be disturbed, and the cutting of any vegetation is prohibited.
5. Metal detecting activity is limited to normal operating hours at each Park facility.
6. Any tool used to remove objects from the ground shall be one-handed and have a digging surface or blade no longer than 1 ½" wide and 6" long. The Permittee shall immediately restore the surface to its original condition by removing all evidence of digging or probing.
7. Any items of trash uncovered by the Permittee shall be properly disposed of in a trash receptacle.
8. All items that may be of value greater than \$25 or considered historically significant or significant in architecture, archeology or culture shall be reported to the South Bend Venues Parks & Arts Department within 48 hours of finding. Parks will determine whether the item has been reported lost or stolen, or whether to retain possession of the object due to its significance.
9. All laws, rules and regulations shall be followed.
10. Any actions that result in the harassment or endangerment of any wildlife may result in immediate revocation of the Permit, expulsion from the park site, and may additionally result in action by law enforcement.