



METAL DETECTORS DEPARTMENT POLICY

PURPOSE:

To regulate the use of change metal detectors in St. Louis County Parks.

POLICY:

It is the policy of the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation to permit the use of metal detectors in County Parks so long as the activity results in no damage or loss to natural areas, highly maintained lawns, historical and archaeological sites. Users of metal detectors may retain possession of their "finds".

PROCEDURE:

Rules

1. The use of metal detectors is prohibited in Historic areas and in highly managed lawn areas in County Parks. Historic areas are Jefferson Barracks, east of Grant Road; Faust Thornhill area and Historic Village; Bissell House; Bishop Long and Fort Bellefontaine. Highly managed lawn areas are Bee Tree Mansion, Laumeier Gallery, Faust Estate, and Community Center/Recreation Complex plazas.
2. To retrieve "finds", users may probe with a screwdriver, ice pick or similar device so long as the shaft is no larger than ¼" diameter and the user does not damage the ground cover. Digging is not permitted.

Director

Date

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