



## NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Saratoga-Capital District METAL DETECTOR PERMIT

PERMIT NUMBER:

Fee: \$10.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

This permit, when completed and signed by the PERMITTEE and approved by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, authorizes the use of a metal detector by the PERMITTEE at:

Moreau Lake State Park  
Grafton Lakes State Park  
Cherry Plain State Park  
Thompsons Lake State Park

Metal detecting is permitted in the designated beach areas only and shall be effective **09/02/2025 - 05/22/2026**.

Metal detecting is NOT PERMITTED during the swimming operating season from 05/23/2026 – 09/07/2026.

This permit must be available upon request by the NYS Park Police or park employees.

1. The PERMITTEE shall not disturb other park patrons or interfere with their activities.
2. Metal detectors can only be used on beaches after Labor Day and before Memorial Day weekend. They are not allowed in any other locations. The metal detector shall not be used in landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, lawns, or flowerbeds, near or around buildings. Digging in these areas is not permitted.
3. Any tool used to remove objects from the ground shall have a digging surface or blade no larger than 1 ½ inches wide and 6 inches long.
4. The PERMITTEE will restore the surface of the land to its original condition.
5. Under Section 252 of the Personal Property Law, all personal property with a value of twenty dollars (\$20.00) or more shall be returned to the owner or deposited with the Park Police.
6. Any items of trash uncovered by the PERMITTEE will be removed by the PERMITTEE.
7. This permit does not authorize the excavation of archaeological objects. Any archaeological objects located by the PERMITTEE shall be deposited with Park employees.
8. The PERMITTEE agrees to assume responsibility for any injury or property damage resulting from his or her use of a metal detector under this permit.
9. **The use of metal detectors is prohibited in ALL NYS Historic Sites**
10. Special conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMITTEE's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Park Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**"Permittee shall promptly report any and all unusual incidents directly to the Park Manager or Park Police. Unusual incidents include, but are not limited to, damage to Park property, accidents, personal injuries, and emergencies involving medical personnel."**