
Parks, Forestry and Open Space Offices • 7490 W. 45th Ave • Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 • 303-205-7552

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM: Please fill in ALL of the requested information, sign below and mail to the Parks Forestry and Open Space Office at the above address or fax to 303-432-6292. Forms may also be dropped off at the Wheat Ridge Recreation Center, 4005 Kipling Street. If approved, a Metal Detection Permit will be mailed to you. If a fee is required, the permit will be issued upon receipt of payment. Use is not granted until your request is approved and the permit is issued.

Applicant Name: _____

Group Affiliation (if applicable): _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ **Evening Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

ALL CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE ORDINANCES AND PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS MUST BE COMPLIED WITH. Parks close at 10:00 p.m.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR METAL DETECTING ACTIVITIES

Metal detecting activities are permitted in all parks with these exceptions:

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| Anderson Pool | Richards-Hart Estate |
| Wheat Ridge Recreation Center | Active Adult Center |
| Hayward Park/City Hall | Historical Park |
| Baugh Property | Wheat Ridge Greenbelt |
| Founders' Park | Lewis Meadows Open Space |

Definitions specific to metal detecting:

- "Officer" shall collectively mean any officer from the Wheat Ridge Police Department ("WRPD") and/or Community Service Officer ("CSO").
- "Natural Vegetation Area" shall mean any area where any species of native (i.e., North American) plants are naturally growing and reproducing. Lawn areas are not native plant areas.
- "Ball Fields" shall mean areas designated for athletic activities but not limited to baseball, softball, soccer, football, lacrosse fields and bleacher/dugout areas etc.
- "Woodlands" shall mean land with dense coverage of trees, shrubs or bushes.

Permit conditions:

- Metal Detecting activity on Parks' property requires a valid permit from the City of Wheat Ridge Parks and Recreation Department. A copy of this permit must be in possession.
- **Permit is effective April 1 through September 30 of current year only.**
- Applicant shall use hand tools that can be used by one hand only for Metal Detecting. Hand tools shall be limited to 4 inches wide and 12 inches long.
- Applicant shall restore any disturbed area to its original condition by removing all evidence of digging and/or probing. All trash, litter or other debris uncovered must be removed and placed in an approved trash receptacle.
- Probing or digging is strictly prohibited within 25 feet of a tree or within the drip line of the tree, whichever is greater.
- Probing or digging is strictly prohibited in the following areas:
Ballfields, playgrounds, newly seeded/sodded lawns, flower/shrub beds/gardens, woodlands, natural vegetation areas, wood chipped areas, wetlands, lakes, ponds, ditches, any waterways or near water's edge, or any other area restricted by signage.
- Probing or digging is strictly prohibited within 50 feet of any fence.
- Applicant shall comply with any directive to move or cease their actions by any Parks or City official.

To report any concerns or damage contact the following:

**Benny Paiz, Parks, Forestry and Open Space Manager 303-205-7551
Megan Schmitz, Operation Support Technician III 303-205-7552**

Other:

The Metal Detection Permit Request may be approved or disapproved based on the following criteria:

- Impact on the area in use in terms of large numbers of individuals in the area.
- Impact on daily use.
- Coordination with any other large group activity being held in the pavilion or park area.
- Parking availability for regular daily use and requested event usage.
- Requested event must not conflict with any Park Rules and Regulations already in effect.
- Impact fees may apply.
- Parks Division maintenance projects.

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree to abide by the terms set forth in this permit, the metal detecting rules, and the Rules and Regulations of the City of Wheat Ridge Parks and Recreation Department. Park Rules are available under Park, Forestry & Open Space at www.rootedinfun.com/PFOS. I understand that failure to do so may lead to the cancellation of the permit, the denial of future permits, or other legal action by Parks.

In addition, I hereby acknowledge and agree that any objects I find while metal detecting on City owned property shall, at the option of Parks, become the property of the City.

Signature

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY

Disapproved **Approved – Permit # _____ Issued _____**

Parks, Forestry and Open Space Manager

Date

Comments: _____

