

SOUTH DAKOTA GAME, FISH & PARKS: METAL DETECTOR PERMIT

Department Area: _____

Permit issued to: Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____ Date Issued: _____

Permit Is Valid From: _____ Through: _____

41:03:01:29. Restrictions on use of metal detectors – Written authorization required.

41:03:01:05. Destruction or removal of natural or cultural features prohibited.

Metal detector use granted by a permit will only be allowed for the following reasons:

- 1) Recreational metal detecting only on designated swimming or boating beaches.
- 2) Archaeologists performing official research (they first must have a permit from the State Archaeologist before a Department permit can be issued).
- 3) Person(s) to find lost personal item(s). When a person(s) are looking for a lost personal item(s), the person needs to describe the lost item(s) to the site manager issuing the permit. If the area to be searched is not within a designated swimming beach, digging will not be permitted since the lost item should be above the surface.

By the permittee signing the permit, they acknowledge the limitations and restrictions set forth by the department representative on the permit.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

This permit applies only to the following area _____ and may be used ONLY during the hours of _____. Permits must be carried by the permittee or be available in the vehicle. Permittee must inform department staff in advance before using detectors by either stopping at the office prior to detecting or calling a day in advance to _____. Tools used for digging are limited to probes not over 6 inches long, one inch wide and one-quarter inch thick. Sand scoop or sieve not over 10 inches in diameter. All excavations shall be returned to their original condition prior to the beginning of new excavations or leaving the area. Holes may only be a maximum of 6" in depth. A litter apron or bag is to be worn or carried during metal detector use and all litter disposed of in an approved trash container. All found items will be brought to the office for inspection by department staff. The department retains the right to keep anything of historical, archeological or culturally significant value. Department staff must approve any exceptions or changes to these restrictions.

Permittee Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department Representative: _____ Date: _____