METAL DETECTOR PERMIT
2011 APPLICATION

City of New York Parks & Recreation
Adrian Benepe, Commissioner
Michael Dockett, Assistant Commissioner of Urban Park Services

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant: _____ ( ) _____-_____
NAME TELEPHONE NUMBER

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ADDRESS ZIP CODE E-MAIL ADDRESS

The applicant ("Applicant"), should he/she be granted a permit, agrees to fully obey all the conditions set forth on this application as well as the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation's (hereinafter "Parks" or "Agency") Rules and Regulations and any other applicable City, state or federal laws, rules or regulations. In addition, Applicant must: (1) provide to Parks an acceptable form of photo identification which documents Applicant's current address (e.g. State Driver's License or other government issued identification); (2) surrender all expired Metal Detecting Permit(s) previously issued to applicant by Parks, (if applicable); and (3) a list of all Significant Objects (as defined below) found during the prior year under a duly issued Parks permit, if applicable.

PERMITTED AREAS FOR METAL DETECTING ACTIVITY

Metal Detecting activities are restricted to the open areas (other than the areas listed in Paragraph 8 of the Permit Conditions) in the following parks:

Bronx
Bronx Park
Claremont Park
Pelham Bay Park
Soundview Park
Van Cortlandt Park

Brooklyn
Canarsie Park
Marine Park
McCarren Park
Sunset Park
*Prospect Park

Manhattan
East River Park
Highbridge Park
Inwood Park
Morningside Park
Randall's and Ward's Island Parks
Riverside Park

Queens
**Alley Pond Park
Astoria Park
Baisley Park
Crocheron Park
Cunningham Park
Flushing Meadows Corona Park
Forest Park
Francis Lewis Park

Queens cont'd
Highland Park
Juniper Valley Park
***Kissena Park

Staten Island
Silver Lake Park
Willowbrook Park

***Saturdays & Sundays only (Prospect Park)**
****Metal Detecting permitted in Zone 4 only (excluding the Adventure Course area)**
*****Metal Detecting permitted in Zones 5 & 6 (with the exception of the Wildflower Garden in Zone 5)**

Metal Detecting activities are restricted to the open sandy areas, under boardwalks unless otherwise stated, and seaward of any structures or vegetation at the following beaches:

Bronx
Orchard Beach

Queens
Rockaway Beach

Brooklyn
Manhattan Beach
Coney Island (*no metal detecting under boardwalk from beach and street sides)*
Brighton Beach (*no metal detecting under boardwalk from beach and street sides)*

Staten Island
South Beach (*sand area only)*
Midland Beach (*sand area only)*
Wolfe's Pond Beach (*swimming area only)*

Staten Island cont'd
New Dorp Park Beach (*sand area only)*
Oakwood Beach (*sand area only)*

Please visit www.nyc.gov/parks under the "Permits & Services" tab for further Metal Detecting information and zone maps. Please mail to: NYC Department of Parks & Recreation, 1234 5th Ave. Rm. 213, New York, NY 10029.

The following are the rules and regulations for Metal Detecting activities:

Definitions:

- "Recent Coins" shall mean coins still in common circulation and/or of a value of less than $25 ("Nominal Value").
- "Significant Object(s)" shall mean any object of a historical, paleontological, or archaeological nature, or any coin or object whose value significantly exceeds its face value. A Recent Coin is not a Significant Object.
- "Officer" shall collectively mean any officer from the New York City Police Department ("NYPD") and/or Parks Enforcement Patrol ("PEP") Division.
- "Native 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 including but not limited to baseball, softball, soccer, football, cricket fields and bleacher/dugout areas etc.
- "Woodlands" shall mean land with dense coverage of trees, shrubs or bushes.

Permit Conditions:

1. Metal Detecting activity on Parks' property requires a valid permit from Parks.
2. All recovered Significant Objects must be reported to the Urban Park Service (212.360.2778) within 48 hours of finding. Applicant shall submit a photo of the Significant Object to Parks upon request. Parks will determine whether to retain title and possession of the recovered Significant Object(s).
3. Every reasonable effort will be made by the Agency to publicly display all such recovered Significant Objects retained by the Agency on an annual basis. Such displays shall include appropriate acknowledgements regarding Applicant's involvement.
4. Any identifiable property found by Applicant (such as jewelry or other tangible items) must be turned over to Parks for delivery to the local NYPD precinct where applicable procedures will be followed. NYPD will provide Parks with a receipt and hold the object(s) for a determined period of time while Applicant assists NYPD in locating a proper owner of the lost property.
5. Applicant shall show all found objects in his/her possession to any Officer upon request.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. Probing or digging is strictly prohibited within 50 feet of any tree and in the following areas: Ball-fields, manicured lawns, newly seeded lawns, Woodlands, Native Vegetation Areas, or any other area restricted by signage.
9. Applicant shall comply with any directives to move or cease their actions by any Parks or City official.
10. Applicant shall not go into any closed beach areas. Areas may be closed due to endangered species (24 hours per day, April 15 through Labor Day), dangerous conditions (at all times), or the absence of Lifeguards (10am-6pm, Memorial Day through Labor Day).
11. Each year, Applicant shall provide a list of all Significant Objects found under a duly issued Parks permit to the Parks' Urban Parks Service Division **before any new permit** will be issued.

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 application, the metal detecting rules attached to this application and the Rules & Regulations of the City of New York/Parks & Recreation. I understand that failure to do so may lead to the cancellation of the permit, the denial of future permit applications, or other legal action by Parks.

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

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Signature of Applicant ***Date***

THIS FORM IS NOT A PERMIT