

GEOCACHING AND LETTERBOX RULES AND REGULATIONS ON CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE PROPERTIES

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For additional information on Geocaching visit www.geocaching.com

For additional information on Letterboxing visit www.letterboxing.org

1. The location of all geocaches and letterboxes must be pre-approved by the Champaign County Forest Preserve District Director of Natural Resources.
2. Areas of restricted entry such as waterfowl breeding areas, biological remnants, and recent restorations are off limits to caching.
3. Geocaches and letterboxes cannot interfere with the everyday operation and maintenance of the preserves.
4. Caches and boxes should not damage property, trees or soil.
5. Geocaches and letterboxes cannot be buried underground.
6. Perishables such as food and candy are not allowed.
7. No weapons such as pepper spray, knives, guns, explosives, fireworks, flammable material, lighters, pocket knives, ammunition, or swords may be cached.
8. Drugs, alcohol, illicit materials, and illegal materials, are prohibited.
9. Geocache containers must be Tupperware® or Rubbermaid® type of container. Geocaches and letterboxes must not be made of PVC pipe or other cylindrical objects.
10. The outside of the cache must be clearly marked as a geocache or letterbox.
11. You must abide by all Champaign County Forest Preserve District ordinances while in the preserves.
12. Since there are various age groups that seek the cache, be thoughtful about what you place in the geocache or letterbox.
13. District staff will periodically check the contents of the caches and boxes and reserve the right to remove some or all of the contents.
14. Geocaches and letterboxes must not contain solicitations of any sort. They must also not contain any commercial or for-profit advertising.
15. No cache or box may be placed within 150 feet (46 meters) of any structure including bridges, buildings, shelters, bathrooms, or dams. Additionally, no cache may be placed inside of, or within 150 feet (46 meters) of farmed or grazed areas.