

Elkhart County Park and Recreation Department
GeoCaching Policy

A policy pertaining to the placement of Geocaches within the boundaries of the Elkhart County Park facilities.

- 1) All geocaches placed within the Elkhart County Park facilities will be by permit only.
- 2) Persons wishing to place a geocache must file a Geocache Placement Permit Application to be approved by the Park Department Director prior to placement.
- 3) Persons with approved applications must meet with a designated staff member to approve the specific placement site.
- 4) Items placed in the caches cannot include food, alcohol, drugs, weapons, explosives, dangerous items or adult items.
- 5) Items found in a cache deemed to be inappropriate will be removed.
- 6) The person named on the permit application is responsible for the care and maintenance of the cache. We request that the cache be monitored monthly.
- 7) If a cache is found in poor repair the applicant will be notified to remove or archive the cache until repairs are made.
- 8) Permit is good from date of issue to June 1 of the next year. After that date, the cache must be moved or removed and a new location permitted.
- 9) Any damage or alteration of park facilities or natural features will result in a charge for damages commensurate with cost of repairs or replacement.
- 10) All rule and regulations of the Elkhart County Parks Department will be in effect and must be strictly followed at all times.
- 11) All physical caches must be in clear or opaque containers where the internal contents are visible from the outside. All caches must be identified as a Geocache.