

Detectorist Code of Ethics

- I WILL** Always Check Federal, State, County And Local Laws Before Searching. It Is My Responsibility To " KNOW THE LAW "
- I WILL** Respect Private Property And Will Not Enter Private Property Without The Owner's Permission. Where Possible, Such Permission Will Be In Writing.
- I WILL** Take Care To Refill All Holes And Try Not To Leave Any Damage.
- I WILL** Remove And Dispose Of Any And All Trash And Litter That I Find.
- I WILL** Appreciate And Protect Our Inheritance Of Natural Resources, Wildlife And Private Property.
- I WILL** As An Ambassador For The Hobby, Use Thoughtfulness, Consideration And Courtesy At All Times.
- I WILL** Work To Help Bring Unity To Our Hobby By Working With Any Organization Of Any Geographic Area That May Have Problems That Will Limit Their Ability To Peacefully Pursue The Hobby.
- I WILL** Leave Gates As Found.
- I WILL** Build Fires In Designated Or Safe Places Only.
- I WILL** Report To The Proper Authorities Any Individuals Who Enters And Or Remove Artifacts From Federal Parks Or State Preserves.

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