



## CITY OF MANITOWOC

### METAL DETECTING IN CITY PARKS POLICY

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#### I. PURPOSE

To restrict metal detecting to appropriate parks; based on the use of the park and/or park area, and to protect landscaping and turf areas in parks.

#### II. POLICY

1. The reasonable use of metal detectors is permitted in all city beach park areas listed below and other non-designated beach areas within the city limits with prior approval. However, metal detecting is not permitted where this activity would conflict with a facility in use, nor is it permitted within fenced areas of swimming pool complexes.

III. Silver Creek Park Beach Area

IV. Red Arrow Park Beach Area

V. South Lakefront Wayside Beach Area

VI. Lakeview Park Beach Area

VII. Memorial Drive Wayside Beach Area

VIII. Mariners Trail Beach Area

#### III. PROCEDURES

1. FEES

There is no fee charged for metal detecting in City of Manitowoc Parks.

2. HOURS PERMITTED TO METAL DETECT

Metal detecting is permitted only from sunrise to sunset or during posted park hours.

3. DIGGING TOOLS

Shovels, spades, garden trowels, and other similar tools may not be used to dig into or turn over ground areas that are covered by turf, vegetation, shrubs, or trees. The only permissible digging tools are screwdrivers, ice picks, and other similar narrow pronged devices.

4. FINDING AND REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM PARKS

The finding of historical objects in any city park area should be handled by first contacting the city parks office. Individuals shall report items which are found and will be removed from the park to the city parks office by calling or e-mailing to the following address or phone number.

- a. [parksadmin@manitowoc.org](mailto:parksadmin@manitowoc.org)
- b. 920-686-3580

5. PRIOR APPROVAL

Individuals who want to use a metal detector in a city park in any area other than those listed above must receive prior approval from the Public Infrastructure Committee and report items which are found and will be removed from the park.