

GEOCACHING

Rochester Hills Parks

The Parks Division of the City of Rochester Hills grants permission for geocaching within their park sites provided the caches are in compliance with the guidelines listed below. If you have a cache or know of a cache that is not in compliance with these guidelines, please contact the Parks Office at parks@rochesterhills.org with details on which guideline the cache violates, so Michigan Geocaching Organization (MiGO) can be contacted for suggestions for bringing the cache into compliance, or to retrieve and archive the cache in question. At any time, a representative from Rochester Hills Parks reserves the right to remove or move any cache without notification.

General Information:

Participants must comply with all Geocaching and Michigan Geocaching Organization Guidelines. Visit www.geocaching.com and www.mi-geocaching.org to review guidelines.

Participants must comply with Park hours and all general Rochester Hills Parks Rules and Regulations. These regulations may be obtained at the park offices or [here](#).

Caches

1. When placing your cache, please do not disturb the surrounding environment in any way. Cache locations must be naturally occurring hiding spots. There can be no trees cut, pruned, or have things attached to them with nails, screws, or other fasteners; no holes dug, vegetation removed or planted; no new items can be brought in, such as sculptures, boxes, etc. No caches can be placed in birdhouses, nests, or in animal dens.
2. Caches must be placed within 20 feet on either side of the existing trail.
3. Respect the existing trails and **do not** create any new ones.
4. Place the cache in a safe area. Think about the safety of people who will be looking for your cache.
5. Due to safety concerns, no caches can be placed at a golf course or in any way that will interfere with an existing facility, i.e. sports field, etc.
6. Containers must be transparent and clearly marked "GEOCACHE." Do not use ammo boxes, PVC pipes or other containers that might cause alarm. The cache must contain information on Geocaching in case any non-participant finds the cache.
7. Offensive, illegal, or dangerous items; food items; and adult items are not allowed in any cache. Caches placed to promote commercial, political, religious, or other social agendas are also not allowed.
8. If a fee, purchase or solicitation (monetary or otherwise) is required to gain access to the cache or waypoint (other than the necessary park pass), the cache is not allowed.
9. Check coordinates to ensure they are within the park boundaries and do not encroach on private property or right-of-ways.
10. Parking is permitted only in designated park lots.
11. As always, "Cache in, Trash Out!"