



Metal Detecting Policy

Wissahickon Trails recognizes that metal detecting is an outdoor activity enjoyed by many and offers the opportunity to connect with nature and the beauty of the Wissahickon Valley. For this reason, and as a private landowner, Wissahickon Trails allows metal detecting on our preserved lands. If you plan to do any metal detecting at any of our preserves or along the Green Ribbon Trail, we ask that you observe the following guidelines:

- **When metal detecting, trails and paths must be used** to minimize impacts on plants and animals.
- **Metal detecting is prohibited in fenced areas** where habitat restoration work is being completed.
- **The only permissible digging tools are screwdrivers, ice picks, and other similar narrow-pronged devices.** Shovels, spades, garden trowels, and other similar tools may **not** be used to dig into or turn over ground areas covered by turf, vegetation, shrubs, or trees.
- **Wissahickon Trails should be contacted if any historical object is found**, and will help you contact the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.