



## **Guidelines for Placing a Geocache at Shipley Country Park**

Derbyshire County Council Countryside Service at Shipley Country Park welcomes responsible geocachers. We ask hiders and seekers of geocaches on this site to abide by the following park guidelines as well as the guidelines of the Geocaching Association of Great Britain (GAGB).

1. Before placing a geocache the placer must obtain permission from the Countryside Service at Shipley Country Park.
2. Caches should be placed in the park, as far as is possible, in a way that they will not be accidentally found by non-geocachers.
3. No cache should be placed in the park in such a way as to risk or cause damage or disturbance to wildlife, habitat or historical features.
4. Caches should not be hidden in animal holes, runs or in bird or bat boxes.
5. No cache should be placed in or on a dry stone wall or other walls in the park (in particular the herringbone wall, the ha ha and folly on Shipley Hill).
6. No caches to be placed on reservoir dams or in culverts in the park.
7. No caches should be placed in out of bounds areas or on private land within the park (see park map).
8. Caches should not be buried. Holes should not be dug anywhere in the park in order to place or search for a cache.
9. Caches should not be placed at locations in the park where it may place seekers in any kind of danger.
10. Cache containers should not be placed inside a polythene bag.
11. No caches should be of a commercial nature, either in location or content.
12. Ensure the cache container is clearly marked, stating that the content is harmless and giving the placers or maintainers e-mail address or other contact method (e.g. GAGB contact phone number).
13. Only items that are safe and child appropriate should be placed in a cache.
14. No items of food or drink of any kind, or other perishable items, should be placed in the cache.

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13. Fences should not be crossed, (other than through a gate or by a stile), when placing or seeking a cache in the park.
14. When leaving the cache site, after hiding or placing a cache, there should be no visual sign of disturbance.
15. Vehicles may not be driven in the park other than along permitted routes and should only be parked in the car parks.
16. Maintenance of the cache is the responsibility of the placer or a designated person.
17. If a geocaching event is proposed by the organising group, please contact Countryside Service staff to make a booking. The organiser of the event will be required to supply a risk assessment and complete an indemnity form.
18. Please keep Countryside Service staff at Shipley Country Park informed of any changes to the location of a geocache, or if it has been damaged or taken etc so that they can monitor activities surrounding geocaching.
19. An application form must be completed for each individual geocache you wish to hide.

**Thank you.**

### **Contact Details and Further Information**

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