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First Permission Visit Checklist

A simple one-page reminder covering what to take, what to confirm and how to leave the right impression.

What's inside

- ✓ Clear, practical steps you can use straight away
- 📄 Written for real UK detecting, not theory
- 📄 Plain-English guidance, checked against official sources
- ☆ Free to print, keep and share



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UK guidance**



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You have permission, now make a great first impression. Work through this before, during and after your first visit to a new piece of land.

Before travelling

- ☐ Confirm date and arrival time
- ☐ Check the weather, daylight and hazards
- ☐ Re-read the agreed restrictions
- ☐ Take your agreement, insurance details and ID if requested
- ☐ Charged phone, first-aid kit and a check-in contact
- ☐ Charge your detector

On arrival

- ☐ Park where you were instructed
- ☐ Check for livestock, crops and any work taking place
- ☐ Confirm boundaries, exclusions, gates, electric fences and emergency access
- ☐ Clean boots and tools between farms (biosecurity), and follow any instructions

During detecting

- ☐ Fill every hole and replace the turf
- ☐ Remove litter that is safe to handle
- ☐ Keep clear of crops, livestock and machinery
- ☐ Record notable finds accurately
- ☐ Stop if a discovery looks undisturbed, grouped or archaeologically significant

Before leaving & communication

- ☐ Confirm how and when the landowner wants to hear about finds or any problems
- ☐ Confirm find-sharing, reporting, photography and future-visit arrangements
- ☐ Leave gates and the parking area as you found them
- ☐ Record any change to the permission agreement

Landowner instructions and notes

This resource is provided for general information and personal record-keeping. Rules, official guidance and access arrangements can change. Check the current requirements for the place where you intend to detect.

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