

NCMD Policy No.5 Issue 1 REGISTRATION OF CLUBS

Registration requirements for Metal Detecting Clubs

1. Registration can only be performed by an NCMD member of the club
2. Engaged solely in the normal hobby of Metal Detecting and related events.
3. Must have a written Constitution.
4. Minimum of three Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasure) elected by the members.
5. Maintain a list of members names and contact details.
6. Take reasonable steps to ensure that all members are free of conviction for any offence relating to metal detecting activities, or of involvement in any incidents which are deemed to have brought the hobby of metal detecting into disrepute
7. Comply with the principles set out in the NCMD Constitution and Policy documents, to:
 - a) Detect responsibly; within the law and The Countryside Code.
 - b) Not unlawfully discriminate against the Equality Act (2010) protected characteristics, which are; Age / Disability / Gender reassignment / Marriage or civil partnership / Pregnancy and maternity / Race (including colour, nationality, and ethnic or national origin) / Religion or belief / Sex / Sexual orientation.
 - c) Have a zero-tolerance approach to any form of bullying.
 - c) Comply with the Data Protection Act 2018 as amended by The Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.
8. A not-for-profit organisation.
9. In England and Wales, encourage the reporting of non-Treasure finds on PAS, whilst respecting landowners wishes as to the accuracy of that reporting; In Scotland and NI all historical finds must be reported by law.

Benefits of being a Registered Club

1. If a Metal Detecting Club is registered with NCMD, then NCMD members are insured to act as Officers, Committee Members and Volunteers of the Club. This is different from the Public Liability given to all NCMD members as a matter of course; it covers NCMD members for their actions whilst carrying out duties related to running the Club. The categories of insurance are:
 - a) Public Liability - cover for your legal liability of up to £10,000,000.
 - b) Professional Indemnity - cover for the club's or instructors' legal liability of up to £10,000,000.
 - c) Directors and Officers – cover for club committee members of up to £5,000,000.
 - d) Employers Liability – cover for clubs in respect of claims for injuries made by employees or volunteers, up to £10,000,000.
2. Use of the “NCMD Registered Club” logo on their paperwork, website, and social media platform.

Removal from registration

A club will be removed from the register if NCMD become aware that it has:

1. Brought the hobby into disrepute.
2. Committed acts of discrimination.
3. Engaged in Bullying.
4. No NCMD members.

Where it is the actions a single member, or group of members, the Club will be given the opportunity to address the matter itself. Where NCMD believe such actions are insufficient, or for repeat occurrences, NCMD will remove or suspend the Club from its list of registered clubs.