

# Dog Scouts of America

## Activity check-off sheet

### Geocaching level I:

- I understand the history, purpose, and rules of Geocaching.
- I understand how to stay safe and legal when searching for caches.
- I will always cache with a buddy or notify someone as to my location and a time of my return.
- My dog will always display good conduct according to the Dog Scout Laws, never chasing wildlife or causing a disturbance.
- My dog will carry all his own supplies including all the required equipment for Dog Scout backpacking and additionally will carry his/her own tradable items.
- I will ALWAYS be prepared to clean up after my dog and will do so making sure to properly dispose of poop in an acceptable trash receptacle.
- I will always contribute to the cleanliness of the park by helping pick up trash and pack it out to be properly disposed of.
- I have purchased or made my own supply of items to trade, as well as some for my canine team member.
- I know how to obtain coordinates to geocaches in areas where I want to search.
- I have mastered the use of a GPS unit and can program in coordinates, waypoints and other information.
- I understand and will abide by the "Leave No Trace" principle of outdoor etiquette.
- My canine partner and myself have used a GPS to find at least **5** geocaches in at least **3 different locations/parks.**
- I have included photos of the 5 caches I have been at along with names and locations of the caches. Multipart caches count as ONE cache.
- I will demonstrate knowledge of how to make up a geocache, including all the required components, as well as be able place and take waypoints for finding this cache. My dog and I have placed a geocache and submitted waypoints to the geocaching website for listing. Copies of this listing are enclosed for verification.
- I understand what are acceptable items to place in a geocache and know that items traded should be of equal value or better to maintain well stocked desirable caches.
- I had a witness accompany me and my dog on a geocaching trip to verify my dog's good behavior and my preparedness to geocache.