

Dog Scouts of America

Activity check-off sheet

Geocaching level III:

- _____ 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 carries all his/her own supplies including all the required equipment for Dog Scout backpacking and additionally carries 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 dog.
- _____ 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 agree to abide by the “Leave No Trace” principle of outdoor etiquette.
- _____ My canine partner and myself have used a GPS to find at least **50** geocaches in at least **3 different states.**
- _____ I have included photos of the 50 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 to place and take waypoints for finding this cache. My canine and I will place 10 geocaches and submit waypoints to the geocaching website for listing. Copies of these listings will also be 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.

- _____ Two of my geocache placements will be a specialty caches, ones dealing with a particular theme or event. A recommended theme is responsible pet ownership. I have provided details and the listing for this cache.

- _____ I have found **5** travel bugs and provided pictures for verification to the website and for my badge requirements.

- _____ I will release **3** travel bugs and provide documentation to their progress and particulars.

- _____ I will assist in hosting/planning one geocache gathering. This gathering will include caching games/contests and the collection of items for a collection cache which will be later placed. I will provide details for verification.