

Ishpeming Rock & Mineral Club

Rules, Regulations & Policies for Field Trip Outings 2024

To ensure that we all have a fun and prosperous day of collecting, we need to follow a few rules. Land Owners have graciously opened their site to us so we can collect beautiful and rare specimens. Please respect their property. By signing up to attend this Field Trip you are agreeing to the following rules and regulations. Please read these carefully and in their entirety **before** signing the Field Trip release form and/or attending this event.

- All Field Trip attendees must sign the Ishpeming Rock and Mineral Club's Field Trip Release form.
- All Field Trip attendees must stay with the Ishpeming Rock & Mineral Group in the designated collecting area. Attendees are not permitted to collect or wander in any areas away from the Ishpeming Rock & Mineral Club Field Trip Coordinator(s).
- When the field trip leader announces that it is time to pack up and leave, we need to finish up and be out in 10 minutes. You must leave with the group or with the Field Trip Coordinator. If you do not leave on time and get locked into an area, site or grounds, you will be charged a fee (\$250.00) for someone to go back out and rescue you.
- Only hand tools are allowed at the Field Trip collecting sites. **NO DRONES.** Absolutely no climbing on walls, gates, machinery or entering any buildings that may be in the field trip area. Stay with the group!
- All Field Trip Participants must wear safety glasses. Be aware of your surroundings—if someone near you (or not so near you) is trying to break rock, chips can fly up and land anywhere.
- Respect the Land Owners and their Land. Do not bring or consume alcoholic beverages on these trips and clean up after yourself (no littering or dumping of garbage). **Smoking is not permitted at collecting sites.**
- If a specimen or rock cannot be lifted by one or two people safely – without the help of a tool, then we cannot collect it or take it from the site.
- Children must be 7 years old (or older) and all children under 16 years of age must be accompanied one on one by an adult.
- Appropriate clothing must be worn—closed toed shoes or boots, long pants and shirts must be worn at all times.

ALL STATE OF MICHIGAN COVID 19 MANDATES MUST BE FOLLOWED!

****Land owners reserve the right to charge for excessive amounts taken from their sites.**

Plan ahead – bring your own supplies, tools, bug dope, sunscreen and refreshments. Pick up all trash and take it with you out of the site.

Happy Rock Hunting!