

**DAKOTA PRAIRIE GRASSLANDS  
GEOCACHING**

**Geocache/Earthcache Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Driver's license or acceptable proof of identification required, a copy will be kept on file*

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Geocache:    \_\_\_\_\_ *Traditional*    \_\_\_\_\_ *Virtual*

Location:

- Latitude/Longitude (required) \_\_\_\_\_
- Map of cache location (required) \_\_\_\_\_
- Cache website (required) \_\_\_\_\_
- Photos

Physical Attributes (required):

- Description of cache container \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cache contents \_\_\_\_\_
  - How and how often you plan to manage or monitor the cache \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant:**

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Website User Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION IS APPROVED**

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*District Ranger*

**This has no expiration date. The Forest Service may rescind this at any time.**

## CACHING ETIQUETTE

- Container must be labeled on the outside with the word **GEOCACHE**.
- Caches will be available to the public. There will be no “members only” or subscription caches.
- Off road motorized travel is not allowed on National Grasslands.
- Do not dig soil or cut vegetation when placing a cache.
- When placing caches, avoid fragile areas such as bogs, wetlands, and steep slopes.
- Cache will not interfere with or detract from other visitors’ experiences.
- If resource damage or trail development occurs the cache will be removed.
- Cache location must be accessible and safe without the use of specialized equipment.
- Only Virtual Caches will be allowed in Management Area 2.1a – Suitable for Wilderness. Traditional geocaches are not allowed.
- Do not put food products or any items with a distinct odor (soaps & deodorants) in the container.
- Do not put any hazardous materials, alcohol, drugs, or other illegal items in caches.
- Respect local laws and obey posted signs.