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Mail this form and your payment to: Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society, PO Box 2, Colorado Springs, CO 80901

Membership Chair: Rev: 10/30/23

CSMS Application Page 2- Membership information page and Waiver/Release to participate in Field Trips.

- Membership to CSMS is annual, from January 1st to December 31st. Membership dues MUST accompany this application, which MUST be filled out each year.
- Members must abide by the CSMS Constitution and By-Laws, located on the web at: http://www.csms1936.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Constitution and By Laws.pdf
- Members in good standing receive the following benefits: 10 electronic issues of the CSMS *Pick&Pack* newsletter, right to participate in all field trips (additional fees may be required on some field trips and members are responsible for all transportation to and from), participation in one or all Satellite Groups (some groups may request additional fees to help cover resource costs), a year of learning and enjoyment, plus a lifetime of memories. The Pebble Pup program is a satellite program.
- Continuing memberships must pay full-year dues; a \$5 discount can be applied to renewals on or before January 31st. Anyone who has previously been a member MUST pay the full rate each year REGARDLESS of the time of the year they pay their dues.
- A person, family, or corporation joining the CSMS as a new member after June 30th shall pay half the yearly membership rate. A person joining CSMS as a new member after October 1st receives the rest of the current year plus the next year's membership. The partial year membership shall not apply toward the 25 year Lifetime Membership.
- Members who have paid their dues for 25 years will be awarded a Lifetime Membership on their 26th year.
 Lifetime Members receive all of the CSMS benefits and no longer have to pay the annual dues. Individual
 Memberships provided by Corporate Membership are excluded from Lifetime Status. Corporate
 membership grants up to 5 individual memberships and one yearly (10 issues) 3.5" x 2" advertisement in
 the CSMS Pick & Pack.

Release by Participants from Claims Arising By Virtue of Mineral Collecting
Led By Field Trip Leader of the Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society,
A Non-Profit Corporation – Member: Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies

I/we, the undersigned, hereby request permission to participate in mineral collecting led by the Field Trip Leader of the *Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society*, a non-profit corporation.

I/we know the risks and danger involved in such activities and that unanticipated and unexpected dangers may arise during such activities, and I/we assume all risks of injury to my / our persons and properties that may be sustained in connection with the stated and associated activities in and around the premises.

In consideration of the permission granted to me/our participation in the stated activities, I/we hereby for myself, my heirs, administrators, and assigns release to the <u>Colorado Springs Mineralogical</u> <u>Society</u> and the <u>Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies</u>, and their representatives, servants, agents, officers and officials and all other participants in the stated activities of and from all claims, demands actions and causes of actions of any sort, for injuries sustained to my/our person and/or property during my presence on the premises and participation in the stated activities due to negligence or any other fault.

Signature:



A large measure of the enjoyment of our hobby consists of collecting in the field. For that reason, the members are proud to endorse the following:

"Code of Ethics"

I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.

I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.

I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.

I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.

I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.

I will leave all gates as found.

I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.

I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.

I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.

I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.

I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.

I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.

I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.

I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.

I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.

I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.

I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.

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