

# Official CAMCaching Rules

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## 1 Outline

This is a geocaching<sup>1</sup> / “treasure” hunting<sup>2</sup> event where small groups of people can team up to find hidden caches (containers) across various locations in Malta. A list of locations is available at <https://camcaching.web.app> with the required starting points. You may use the hints provided with each location to identify the spot where a cache is hidden. Once a cache is found, complete the challenge inside and make sure to record yourselves doing so<sup>3</sup>. Write a new challenge for the next group to find and restore the cache to its original location. Post the recording on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/camyouths/> and make sure to include a **#camcaching** tag in your post description, together with the location and challenge.

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<sup>1</sup><https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geocaching>

<sup>2</sup>[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treasure\\_hunting](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Treasure_hunting)

<sup>3</sup>Photos or videos as required.

## 2 Specifics

### 2.1 Locations

A comprehensive list of locations is available online at <https://camcaching.web.app>. Each location comes with a set of hints (can be a single or multiple hints) as well as an optional starting point link and optional tags providing additional information. Figure 1 shows the template of each location. The optional tags symbolize the following:

- ⌚ indicates restricted access times;
- 🚶 indicates rough terrain or long walks.

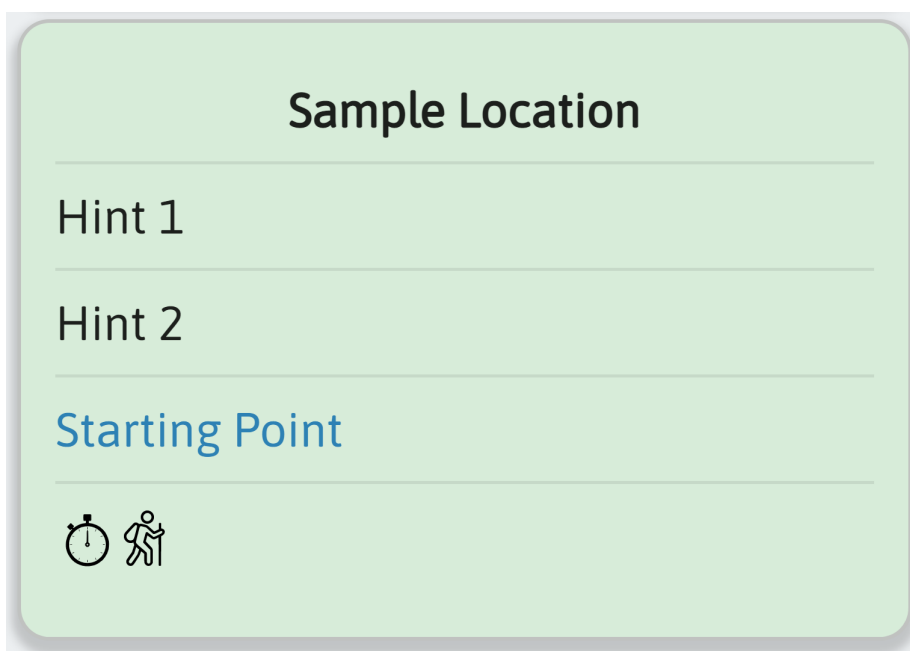


Figure 1: Sample location card.

Locations do not have to be completed in any particular order, so it's up to you to choose what best fits your schedule. Each location can be completed once per community and although we have no foolproof way to enforce this, it is with good faith that we hope that everyone adheres to this in the spirit of the activity.

## 2.2 ĆAMCaches

At each location you will find a ĆAMCache (Figure 2). In order to complete a location and earn points for your community, you must complete the challenge inside the cache. These caches also contain a small notepad and pencil for writing a new challenge onto said notepad. We suggest bringing a pen with you for writing challenges as pencil graphite is fragile but if you're on the go and find yourself without a pen in hand, the pencils are a good alternative.



Figure 2: A ĆAMCache from different angles.

## 2.3 Challenges

A variety of challenges await inside the CAMCaches, some requiring more than one person to complete. In the case that you go hunting for caches alone and find a multi-person challenge, you may take the note containing the challenge (not the whole notepad) and complete the challenge off-site at a later time, with your community. Once a challenge has been completed, we again suggest taking the note containing the challenge before writing the new challenge. This reduces any possible ambiguities other teams might face when going through the contents of a cache. It is important to record your team doing the challenge using the appropriate medium - photo or video usually suffices. The recording will be used as proof of challenge completion by the judging committee (us) in order to assign points. Once a challenge has been completed and recorded, any member of your community can post the recording on the CAMYouths Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/camyouths/>), together with the following:

- the location of the cache (from <https://camcaching.web.app><sup>4</sup>),
- the attempted challenge and
- the `#camcaching` tag.

It is essential to leave a new challenge for the next group to attempt. The following guidelines should be followed when creating a new challenge for other forthcoming groups:

1. Challenges must be feasible / achievable / possible. Don't get too creative.
2. Challenges must also be provable, i.e. actions that can be recorded and posted on the Facebook group.
3. Challenges can be time-dependent or location-dependent but they can't be both. In other words, they must be possible at the location at all times.
4. Challenges must not be in any way offensive, illegal<sup>5</sup> or life-endangering.

If your group finds a challenge which is impossible to complete, report to us ([st@camyouths.com](mailto:st@camyouths.com) or direct message on Facebook) so we can verify and remedy the situation.

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<sup>4</sup>For example, "Sample Location" from Figure 1.

<sup>5</sup>Due to the ever-changing laws when it comes to COVID-19, we leave it up to you to observe the limitations at the time of challenge creation.

## 2.4 Scores

Whenever someone posts a completed challenge (fitting the criteria described in Section 2.3), we will assign points to the posting person's community. It is up to you to group yourselves, so you may even bring along friends from other communities or non-CAMYouthers. For every completed (as deemed by us) challenge, your community get 5 points.

### **3 Disclaimer**

We (the ĊAMYouths Support Team) neither suggest nor condone any actions, maneuvers or behaviors which do not conform with Malta's legislation.