

## WELCOME!

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We want to thank you for your interest in Ghost Hunting at the Ohio State Reformatory Historic site. Ghost Hunt is a registered name® conducted at the:

**Historic Ohio State Reformatory, 100 Reformatory Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44905-1208**  
**Telephone: (419) 522-2644 Fax: (419) 522-8492 web address [www.mrps.org](http://www.mrps.org)**

Mansfield Reformatory Preservation Society (MRPS) sponsored Ghost Hunts® are serious, but informal attempts to document paranormal activity at a castle-like former prison. Ghost Hunts® provide an unusual first-hand experience to search other realms. Ghost Hunts® at OSR are the first of their kind in the United States.

***Ghost Hunts are reserved for persons age 21 and older.***

***We emphasize that Ghost Hunts are not sleepovers, therefore, no accommodations are provided.***

***The Historic Ohio State Reformatory contains hazards including, but not limited to, lead-based paint, narrow and steep stairs, and uneven surfaces.***

***Ghost Hunts are not recommended for pregnant women.***

You may register from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM, the evening of your scheduled hunt. Participants will be allowed to enter the structure at 8:00 PM. The Ghost Hunt® will end at 5 AM. Participants are allowed to leave at any time, but may not depart the premises and return. This is a security issue.

After welcoming you to the ghost hunt and becoming acquainted with the rules, guides will then escort you in for a brief tour. A late night dinner of pizza and soft drinks are included in the admission price. Water, soft drinks, coffee and hot chocolate are also available throughout the evening at no additional cost.

The Ghost Hunt® event is conducted at the Historic Ohio State Reformatory, 100 Reformatory Road, Mansfield, Ohio. From Interstate 71 take Exit 176 (U.S. 30 West) to State Route 545. Turn left onto 545 North. You will see the castle-like prison structure within a ½ mile. Turn left onto Reformatory Road and enter the gate in front of the building. Parking is available to your right.

## SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS TO AGREEMENT

### Private Ghost Hunts

#### REGISTRATION RULES AND PAYMENT

1. Mansfield Reformatory Preservation Society (MRPS) requires all participants to be **21 years of age or older on the date of your hunt. Picture ID is required to check in at the Hunt.**
2. Every participant must **sign the license agreement and waiver of liability**, and abide by all rules of the hunt prior to beginning the event. Each participant must also provide date of birth. ***All license agreements for Private Ghost Hunts MUST be sent to the person who is responsible for arranging the hunt. MRPS will not accept license agreements that have bypassed the point of contact.***
3. A **\$75.00 license fee** for each Private Ghost Hunt participant must accompany the license agreement for each participant. We accept checks, money orders, MasterCard and Visa.

**THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS. PAYMENT AND SIGNED WAIVER MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE HISTORIC OHIO STATE REFORMATORY TO SECURE A RESERVATION. WE DO NOT ACCEPT PHONE CALLS.**

**SEND LICENSE AGREEMENT AND PAYMENT TO the person responsible for arranging the hunt.**

**That person will send agreements and payment to:**

**Historic Ohio State Reformatory**  
**100 Reformatory Road**  
**Mansfield, Ohio 44905 Attn: Ghost Hunt Reservation (with the date of your hunt)**  
**Email: [contact@mrps.org](mailto:contact@mrps.org)**

ALL proceeds received from participants in Ghost Hunts are used toward restoration projects.

## GHOST HUNT RULES

The image of the Historic Ohio State Reformatory is copyrighted. Any photography or video images captured during a Ghost Hunt are for **PERSONAL USE ONLY!** Any use of this footage without the written permission from the Director's office will result in legal action.

Camera use of any sort involving the north side of the building, specifically photos or video images of the working facility directly behind the Historic Ohio State Reformatory **WILL NOT** be tolerated. Failure to comply with the above terms can result in legal action and the confiscation of any and all equipment which may be suspect. Any parties in violation of this rule will be escorted off of the grounds immediately.

1. Due to the removal of artifacts, only small camera bags or "fanny packs" are permitted. Leave any extra items in your vehicle. You are allowed to exit the building and go to your vehicle at any time.
2. Do not close any cell doors.
3. Smoking is **NOT** permitted inside the building.
4. No cell phones.
5. No two-way radio communications.
6. No drugs or alcohol. Anyone found using drugs or alcohol will be immediately escorted from the premises and may face legal action.
7. **No Séances or Ouija boards.** Use of Ouija boards or conducting a séance will result in immediate expulsion from the premises and you will not be permitted on future hunts.
8. Use of anything other than proper, working restroom facilities will not be tolerated and WILL result in immediate expulsion from the premises and legal action.
9. Removal, damage or desecration of any Reformatory property will result in immediate expulsion from the premises and legal action.
10. Areas of the structure blocked off with caution tape or chains are hazard areas. Removal of caution tape, snow fencing or chains will result in immediate expulsion.
11. Intentional scaring of other participants and/or loud behavior will not be tolerated and may result in immediate expulsion from the premises.

## GHOST HUNT ESSENTIALS

1. Bring warm clothing. The building is not heated. The temperature inside the building is generally 10 degrees colder than outside.
2. Wear sturdy walking shoes. OSR is a large structure consisting of many floors and steps.
3. Carry a flashlight. Since selected areas of the structure contain steep and narrow staircases, walking can be hazardous. You may want to bring along a back-up flashlight and extra batteries.
4. Always travel in groups or pairs.
5. Bring a 35mm camera and lots of film. (An inexpensive point and shoot camera with a built-in flash will also work well. High-speed film of at least 400ASA is excellent for shooting in low light. Film and cameras are available in the gift shop. Color or black and white film will work. Some visitors have had success with infrared film. Likewise, you can experiment with video or digital cameras, but sometimes such cameras do not work as well in low light conditions.)

## GHOST HUNT SUGGESTIONS

1. Wear a watch or even a stopwatch for timing any phenomena as well as what you feel and sense.
2. Bring a small tape recorder to record any unusual sounds. Some experts recommend using high-grade metal recording tape.
3. It is useful to carry a log or notebook for recording all phenomena as well as what you sense.
4. Carry a compass. Some ghost records indicate shifting magnetic fields. An unexplained change in the compass needle could indicate a spectral presence.
5. Bring a thermometer. Use a standard thermometer to record temperature changes. Ghost literature reports temperature shifts, icy blasts, and cold spots.

# 2010 PRIVATE GHOST HUNT LICENSE AGREEMENT

This license agreement is approved upon signatures by and between the applicant (referred to as the "Ghost Hunt Participant" in this agreement) and Mansfield Reformatory Preservation Society, Inc., (referred to as "MRPS" in this agreement), 100 Reformatory Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44905-1208, (419) 522-2644. **Make sure this license agreement is completed in full.**

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

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

City, \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

MRPS hereby grants the Applicant the right to use the License and the party receiving the right is referred to as the GHOST HUNT PARTICIPANT. Both parties agree to the following:

## 1. GRANT OF LICENSE

MRPS grants Ghost Hunt Participant a non-exclusive license to participate in the Ghost Hunt at the Historic Ohio State Reformatory, 100 Reformatory Rd. Mansfield, Ohio.

## 2. PAYMENT OF LICENSE FEE

Ghost Hunt Participant hereby agrees to pay MRPS a fee which shall be **\$75.00 per participant.**

## 3. DEFAULTS

- a. Failure of the participant to abide by the obligations of this agreement shall give MRPS the option to immediately cancel this agreement, providing verbal notice is given to the Ghost Hunt Participant.
- b. The participant further agrees to refrain from the use of any drugs or alcohol use, smoking inside the building, or involvement in any inappropriate behavior not in keeping with the serious nature of the Ghost Hunt.

## 4. SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

The participant acknowledges that they have read and will abide by the terms of this Agreement and the Supplemental Provisions attached and made a part of this Agreement.

## 5. WARRANTIES

MRPS makes no warranties with respect to the Ghost Hunts. In no event will MRPS be liable for direct, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages that are in any way related to Ghost Hunt.

## 6. CONDITIONS

As a condition of attendance, the GHOST HUNT PARTICIPANT assumes the risk of injuries to person or property arising out of his or her use of the premises and does hereby release MRPS, its trustees, employees, agents, and successors from and against any claim, demand liability arising out of such injury and will protect and indemnify MRPS and those persons released with respect to any claim, demand or liability arising out of such injury.

## 7. CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS

If for **ANY** reason you cannot attend the date of the Private Ghost Hunt that you have paid for you may send someone else in your place, provided that they meet the minimum age requirement. Or we can donate your payment to OSR in your name. You must notify us of the change prior to the hunt.

**WE DO NOT GIVE REFUNDS FOR ANY REASON.**

**8. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

This agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other promises or written conditions in any other agreement whether oral or written. This Agreement supersedes any other prior written or oral agreement between the parties.

I hereby agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement:

**SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE OF HUNT** \_\_\_\_\_

**To pay by credit card (ONLY Visa or Mastercard accepted):**

**Name on Card** \_\_\_\_\_

**Credit Card #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Expiration** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send this agreement to the person responsible for arranging the Private Ghost Hunt. Do not send directly to Mansfield Reformatory Preservation Society.**