

FIELD EVIDENCE GUIDE

Scientific Methods for Capturing Paranormal Evidence

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Professional Research Protocols

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INTRODUCTION

In the field of paranormal research, evidence quality determines credibility. This guide provides comprehensive protocols for capturing defensible, verifiable evidence of UFOs, cryptids, and paranormal phenomena using scientific methodology.

Remember: One piece of bulletproof evidence will advance the field more than a thousand ambiguous videos. Take your time. Do it right.

CORE PRINCIPLES

1. THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD

All paranormal investigation should follow the scientific method: observe, hypothesize, test, analyze, and conclude. Never go into an investigation trying to prove something—go in trying to document what actually happens.

2. CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Evidence must be properly documented from collection to analysis:

- Time-stamped recordings with GPS coordinates
- Witness statements recorded immediately
- Original files preserved (never edit originals)
- Equipment calibration records maintained
- Complete investigation logs

3. MULTIPLE DATA POINTS

The most compelling evidence comes from multiple independent sources capturing the same event:

- Visual (multiple cameras from different angles)
- Audio (directional microphones, recorders)
- Environmental (temperature, EMF, barometric pressure)
- Witness testimony (from multiple observers)

ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT

VIDEO RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Priority	Notes
4K Camera/Camcorder	REQUIRED	Min 4K at 60fps, large sensor
Tripod with Fluid Head	REQUIRED	Stable footage is crucial
Night Vision Camera	RECOMMENDED	Gen 3 or thermal imaging
Backup Camera(s)	RECOMMENDED	Multiple angles essential

AUDIO RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Priority	Specifications
Digital Audio Recorder	REQUIRED	96kHz/24-bit minimum
Parabolic Microphone	RECOMMENDED	Distant sound capture
Ultrasonic Recorder	RECOMMENDED	Above human range

ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Equipment	Priority	Purpose
EMF Meter	REQUIRED	Electromagnetic fields
Temperature Sensors	REQUIRED	Thermal fluctuations
Barometric Monitor	RECOMMENDED	Pressure changes
Geiger Counter	RECOMMENDED	Radiation detection

FIELD INVESTIGATION METHODOLOGY

PRE-INVESTIGATION CHECKLIST

- Research location history and previous reports
- Check weather forecasts and astronomical data
- Obtain necessary permissions and permits
- Conduct daylight reconnaissance
- Test and calibrate all equipment
- Prepare investigation plan
- Brief team members on protocols
- Verify equipment checklist complete

DURING INVESTIGATION

- Establish control recordings of environment
- Log equipment placement with GPS coordinates
- Maintain continuous recording when possible
- Document all investigator movements
- Record environmental readings every 15 minutes
- Capture multiple angles of any events
- Never contaminate potential evidence
- Collect witness statements immediately
- Photograph entire site for context

POST-INVESTIGATION

- Back up all data immediately
- Complete investigation report
- Organize and catalog evidence
- Review footage/recordings
- Cross-reference timestamps
- Analyze environmental data

- Consult with experts
- Prepare evidence presentation

COMMON MISTAKES TO AVOID

FATAL ERRORS THAT DESTROY CREDIBILITY:

- ✗ Shaky handheld footage - Always use a tripod
- ✗ Incomplete metadata - Document everything
- ✗ Editing original files - Never alter originals
- ✗ Poor lighting documentation - Note all light sources
- ✗ Single-source evidence - Multiple sources required
- ✗ Lack of witness statements - Get written statements
- ✗ Ignoring natural explanations - Debunk yourself first
- ✗ Contaminating evidence sites - Don't disturb scenes

KEY PRINCIPLE:

Remember: One piece of bulletproof evidence will advance the field more than a thousand ambiguous videos. Take your time. Do it right.

EVIDENCE ANALYSIS

VIDEO/PHOTO ANALYSIS STEPS:

1. Initial Review - Watch without prejudice, note timestamps
2. Frame-by-Frame - Use professional software
3. Enhancement - Adjust exposure for analysis only
4. Stabilization - Stabilize to analyze motion
5. Speed Analysis - Calculate velocity and distance
6. Metadata Verification - Confirm EXIF data integrity
7. Cross-Reference - Compare with other sources
8. Expert Consultation - Share with specialists

CRITICAL THINKING CHECKLIST:

- Have you consulted experts in relevant fields?
- Have you researched all prosaic explanations?
- Can the evidence be reproduced?
- Are there corroborating witnesses or data?
- Could equipment malfunction explain it?
- Is the evidence quality sufficient?
- Are you letting belief bias your analysis?

SCENARIO-SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS

UFO/UAP INVESTIGATION

Rule Out: Satellites, ISS, aircraft, drones, Chinese lanterns, weather balloons, planets/stars

Key Data: Exact time, direction (compass bearing), altitude estimate, flight path

Equipment Priority: Multiple cameras, compass, GPS, radio scanner

CRYPTID RESEARCH

Rule Out: Known wildlife (bears, elk), humans, domestic animals, hoaxes

Key Data: Track measurements, gait pattern, dermal ridges, GPS coordinates

Equipment Priority: Trail cameras, night vision, audio recorders, casting materials

PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION

Rule Out: Structural issues, drafts, reflections, appliances, power lines, infrasound, CO

Key Data: Room diagrams, historical research, witness testimony, environmental readings

Equipment Priority: Full-spectrum cameras, EVP recorders, EMF meters, temperature sensors

PROFESSIONAL BEST PRACTICES

- ✓ Practice first - Know your equipment thoroughly
- ✓ Safety always - Never compromise safety for evidence
- ✓ Stay objective - Your job is to document, not prove
- ✓ Network - Connect with other serious researchers
- ✓ Be honest - If evidence is inconclusive, say so
- ✓ Keep learning - Technology constantly improves
- ✓ Respect privacy - Honor witness anonymity
- ✓ Expect criticism - Welcome scrutiny of your work

BUILDING CREDIBILITY

The paranormal research field suffers from poor methodology, hoaxes, and confirmation bias. Be part of the solution by using scientific methods rigorously, calling out bad evidence, admitting when evidence is inconclusive, collaborating with mainstream scientists, publishing your methodologies openly, and accepting criticism gracefully.

APPENDIX A: INVESTIGATION REPORT FORM

_____ Time (End): _____

_____ Conditions: _____

_____ Visibility: _____

_____ Cloud Cover: _____

al ■ Other: _____

APPENDIX B: EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

VIDEO EQUIPMENT	Qty	Serial #	✓
4K Camera/Camcorder		_____	■
Backup Camera		_____	■
Night Vision Camera		_____	■
Tripod(s)		_____	■
Extra Batteries		_____	■
Memory Cards		_____	■
AUDIO EQUIPMENT	Qty	Serial #	✓
Digital Recorder		_____	■
Parabolic Microphone		_____	■
Extra Batteries		_____	■
ENVIRONMENTAL	Qty	Serial #	✓
EMF Meter		_____	■
Temperature Sensor		_____	■
Barometric Monitor		_____	■
Geiger Counter		_____	■
NAVIGATION & OTHER	Qty	Serial #	✓
GPS Device		_____	■
Compass		_____	■
Field Notebook		_____	■
Binoculars		_____	■
Flashlights		_____	■
First Aid Kit		_____	■

APPENDIX C: WITNESS STATEMENT FORM

Time: _____

_____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

APPENDIX D: EVIDENCE LOG SHEET

Investigation Location: _____ Date: _____

Time	Evidence Type	Device/File	Location/GPS	Notes
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Evidence Types: Photo, Video, Audio, Physical Sample, EMF Reading, Temperature Anomaly, Witness Statement

RESOURCES & CONTACT

For more information, training resources, and to connect with the paranormal research community, visit:

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Remember: The truth is out there, but it requires patience, dedication, and rigorous methodology to uncover. Happy investigating!

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