



Informed Consent for Research Purposes: Paranormal Investigation

Though not covered under the 1974 National Research Act, because Old Harmony Paranormal Research is not conducting any type of behavioral research, we feel a full disclosure policy helps potential percipient better understand our methodology.

Confidentiality: Unless requested, we maintain a rigid privacy policy, and your information will never be shared with outside individuals. On our Permission to Investigate form, which a case manager for Old Harmony Paranormal Research will help you fill out prior to an investigation, you will be asked if you:

Old Harmony Paranormal Research cannot release any/all information and/or anomalies collected or present any paranormal evidence for public consumption.
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Old Harmony Paranormal Research can release possible paranormal evidence, including photographic, video and/or auto anomalies to Old Harmony Paranormal Research for inclusion in our website and social media platforms, excluding the address of the location, identities of percipients, etc.
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Old Harmony Paranormal Research can release/publicize any and all information.
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Full Disclosure: After submitting a request for a paranormal investigation, you will receive a reply from a case manager with Old Harmony Paranormal Research asking when an appropriate day and time would be to contact you via phone. After your reply, a case manager will call you and discuss either a public place to meet, to discuss perceived paranormal experiences, or a day and time to complete a cursory

tour of the location where you can explain your paranormal experiences. Usually, at least two investigators will be present for the initial meeting. When the investigation has been scheduled, no more than six investigators will be present. Investigations are usually scheduled for weekend evenings. Investigators may be present between three to six hours, depending on the size of the location, and paranormal activity. Investigators will begin by taking “base readings” of the electromagnetic radiation and temperature of each room and ask you to explain any paranormal encounters that you may have experienced in each room; this will more than likely be videoed. In each room, investigators will try to elicit after-death communication by asking questions with audio and video monitoring equipment present. One or two investigators present may have consistently scored higher than chance allows on extrasensory perception (ESP) tests. If said investigators are present, you will be informed, and there are protocols in place to prevent these investigators from obtaining information about the specific location. Information presumably gained by ESP can be provided to you upon request, but will not be included in the official investigation report unless backed by evidence. Following the investigation, analysts will thoroughly review photographs and audio and video recordings for anomalies. If anomalies are documented, or you request a follow-up investigation, attempts to elicit after-death communication will again take place in areas where initial anomalies were documented. It may take up to two weeks for analysts to scrutinize photographs, audio, and video recordings. After a conclusion has been reached, and evidence compiled, you will be contacted by the case manager. When investigators feel they have collected enough information, no more than three investigators will sit down with you and explain evidence collected. They will offer multidisciplinary perspectives and explanations. If you have chosen to allow only initials and city or county to be listed so that the official investigation report, it may be published on our website and/or social media platforms.

- **Risks:** Many percipients are under the erroneous impression that eliciting communication with purported discarnate consciousnesses (i.e., ghost) will “make things worse”. There is absolutely no evidence to support this supposition, except in the case of intelligent hauntings. Once a spirit realizes that it can communicate, said spirit might try to communicate more for a couple of weeks.
- **Benefits:** Among the most important benefits for hosting a paranormal investigation is peace of mind for your health. Please inform yourself of the risk of constant exposure to electromagnetic radiation. We cannot, however, guarantee that attempts to elicit after-death communication will be successful or that photographic, audio, video anomalies will be definitive.

You will be offered multidisciplinary perspectives and explanations from experienced paranormal investigators, though.

Expectations: Old Harmony Paranormal Research is not a source for entertainment. Please do not invite a number of friends and family members to an investigation. This will cause the immediate withdraw of investigators from the location. Other reasons an investigation will be terminated prematurely include manufacturing paranormal events, unsanitary and/or unsafe conditions, hostility towards one or more investigators, etc. If at any time, the group perceives family members are in imminent physical danger, the case manager will immediately contact authorities. If there is a member of your household that is under 18-years-old who shows signs of physical harm, the case manager will immediately contact the Department of Child Services.

Additional Information: If investigators suspect recurrent spontaneous psychokinesis (RSPK), formally known as poltergeist activity, the focus of investigation will be adjusted to center on individuals in the home, not rooms. Individuals may then be tested for indications of psychokinesis (PK).