

Coin Roll Hunting Starter Checklist

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1. Gear (budget kit, ~\$30–\$50)

- ☐ 10x LED jeweler's loupe
- ☐ 0.01 g digital pocket scale
- ☐ Daylight LED lamp
- ☐ Coin tubes + PVC-free 2x2 flips + fine-tip pen
- ☐ Coin wrappers (50 cents / 40 nickels / 50 dimes / 40 quarters / 20 halves)
- ☐ Felt mat or towel
- ☐ Hunt log (page 2)

2. Bank visit

- ☐ Call ahead; ask what rolls are on hand and how to order boxes
- ☐ Ask about fees for buying AND returning coin
- ☐ Ask for customer-wrapped rolls
- ☐ Go mid-week, mid-morning; avoid paydays
- ☐ Start small: 10 cent rolls, 2 nickel rolls, 2 dime rolls

3. Keeper list

Coin	Keep if...
Cent	1958 or earlier (wheat); pre-1982 copper (3.11 g); 1909-S VDB, 1914-D, 1922 No D, 1931-S; doubled dies (1955, 1969-S, 1972, 1995)
Nickel	1942–1945 with large P/D/S above Monticello (35% silver); Buffalo nickels; 1950-D
Dime	1964 or earlier (90% silver, solid edge); Mercury dimes; 1916-D
Quarter	1964 or earlier (90% silver); 2004-D Wisconsin extra leaf
Half	1964 or earlier (90%); 1965–1970 Kennedy (40%); Franklin, Walking Liberty
Any	Off-center, clipped, die cracks/cuds, true doubling; proofs; obsolete designs

4. Search routine

- ☐ Open one roll at a time
- ☐ Edge scan for silver (no copper stripe)
- ☐ Check dates and mint marks
- ☐ Check reverses (war nickel marks, wheat ears, extra leaf)
- ☐ Loupe the "maybes"
- ☐ Replace pulled keepers so rolls are full; rewrap, mark "S"
- ☐ Log the hunt

5. Golden rules

Never clean a coin.

Keep searched and unsearched coin separate.

Be the customer tellers like to see.

Hunt log

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