

# Cedar Grove Cemetery

*A Quiet Place on the Banks of the Neponset River*

## General Rules and Regulations

April 1, 2020

Cedar Grove Cemetery is non-sectarian, and respectful of all religions, nationalities, varying cultural traditions, and the respectful observance of various holidays and special occasions. The following Rules and Regulations are consistent with that premise.

### Plantings and Decorations

The Cemetery reserves the right to control any tree, shrub, plant and vine growing within the Cemetery, whether or not planted by the owners of a lot or grave.

The owners of lots, graves, mausoleums or other interment space with suitable area and soil conditions may plant a flower bed restricted to the width of the monument and no more than 12" in depth.

The following items may not be placed upon any grave site or attached to any memorial, mausoleum or crypt at any time. If so placed, they are subject to removal without notice.

- Artificial flowers
- Figurines
- Wooden objects
- Fences of any kind
- Bricks
- Solar lights
- Crockery
- Glassware
- Plastics
- Metal objects
- Statuettes
- Knick knacks
- Toys
- Ornamental flags
- Balloons and similar ornaments

### Floral Memorials

Funerals: Cut flowers, sprays and other funeral bouquets will be removed from a grave three (3) days after the burial.

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## Special Occasions

**Valentine's Day:** small (up to 12") mementos. Such items will be removed seven (7) days after the holiday.

**St. Patrick's Day:** small (up to 12") mementos. Such items will be removed seven (7) days after the holiday.

**Easter:** small (up to 12") mementos. Such items will be removed seven (7) days after the holiday.

**Memorial Day:** Fresh flowers or a potted planting are allowed May through October 15 at which time the Cemetery staff will remove them from the grave sites. Small American flags are permitted, and are typically placed one foot in front and centered before the grave marker.

**Halloween:** pumpkins and small evergreen sprays are allowed. Halloween decorations will be removed seven (7) days after the holiday.

**Thanksgiving:** small mementos. Such items will be removed seven (7) days after the holiday.

**Christmas:** Holiday wreaths or log basket of greens are allowed from December 15 until March 1 depending on the well-being of the plant.

What is not allowed:

- Christmas trees
- Christmas lights
- Solar lights
- Decorating of Cemetery trees and shrubs

**Artificial materials:** Wreaths, sprays, bouquets and other design of artificial materials are not allowed.

Placement of a national flag may be permitted at times, at the discretion of the Cemetery, up to 12" tall and placed one foot in front and centered before the grave marker. Ornamental flags are not permitted.

**Other Holidays:** The Cemetery will make every effort to be respectful of other holidays and special occasions of all religious and cultural traditions.

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The Cemetery cannot be responsible for plantings and decorations damaged by the elements, by vandals or by other causes beyond its control.

## Liability for Loss or Damage

Cedar Grove Cemetery expressly disclaims all responsibility or liability for any accident, loss or damage to any person or property resulting from the ordinary hazards of cemetery work, and from loss or damage due or incident caused due to fire, theft, vandalism, accidents or the unlawful or malicious acts of other persons.

## Right to Change Rules and Regulations

The Cemetery reserves the right at any time to adopt new rules and regulations, or to amend or repeal any rule, regulation or article, section, paragraph or sentence in these Rules and Regulations or any rules and regulations which may later be adopted.

## Office Hours

The Cemetery Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.; Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon; holidays other than Memorial Day excepted.

## Gates Open

The Cemetery gates are open during the winter season (November 1 through April 30) from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and during the summer season (May 1 through October 31) from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

## Memorials

All headstones, flat markers or other memorials must meet the Cemetery's specifications regarding material and dimensions. No memorial may be erected or placed without a written monument permit which has been approved by the Cemetery.

## Dogs and Other Pets

Pets must be leashed at all times while on Cemetery property. It is the responsibility of the owners to clean up after their pets. Failure to do so can and will result in the prohibition of pets from the Cemetery.

## Trespassing

Admission to the Cemetery grounds is restricted to the posted hours.

*If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our  
Office for additional guidance.*