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Rules and Regulations

DEFINITIONS

"Board" shall mean the Board of Township Trustees of Groton Township.

"Cemetery" shall mean the Deyo Cemetery.

"Owner" shall mean the owner of rights of interment or inurnment.

"Interment" shall mean burial of the remains of a deceased human being.

"Inurnment" shall mean the burial or placement in a niche of cremated human remains.

"Lot" shall mean a single grave space.

"Memorial or Monument" shall mean any marker placed upon any Lot for the purpose of identification or in memory of the interred.

"Burial Vault" shall mean an outside burial container as specified by the cemetery to encase human remains.

"Contractor" shall mean any person, firm or corporation or anyone other than an employee of the Cemetery engaged in placing, erecting, or repairing any memorial or monument and/or performing any work on the Cemetery grounds.

General:

1. Rules and Regulations of Deyo Cemetery and prices for burial spaces and services are made by the Groton Township Board of Trustees and Sexton.
2. All plots will be probed prior to sale.
3. All items placed at the cemetery must be of a respectful nature and are subject to removal by the Cemetery Sexton.
4. No alcoholic beverages are to be left on the plots or cemetery grounds.

5. Only the Cemetery Maintenance Crew and/or deceased's family/friends are permitted to remove items.
6. Broken or damaged items will be removed.
7. Only two (2) flower arrangements and/or personal items per plot unless they are placed on the foundation and they are off the ground.
8. Vases/Pots – no larger than 12 inches in diameter.
9. All statues and personal items should be placed on the foundation and must be kept off the ground. Larger statues are permitted on the ground but will be counted as one (1) of the two (2) maximum items allowed per plot. Statues – no larger and eight (8) inches in diameter.
10. No glass objects allowed.
11. Shephard staffs are allowed for flowers, wind chimes, flags, etc., and are to be placed at the head of the monument. These will be counted as one (1) of the two (2) maximum items permitted per plot.
12. All items placed must remain within the boundaries of that plot and cannot infringe upon another plot.
13. No planting of flowers.
14. No mulch, no fences nor any sort of landscaping materials on cemetery grounds.
15. Any planting of trees and/or shrubs **must** be approved by the Cemetery Sexton and planted by the Cemetery Maintenance Crew or an approved vendor. All future maintenance will be the responsibility of the Cemetery Maintenance Crew. The Cemetery Sexton and Maintenance Crew reserves the right to remove any tree and/or shrub at their discretion.
16. No touching, scraping, rubbing, or spraying of liquids on the memorial or monuments for any purpose.
17. No hunting on Cemetery property.

Cleanup Dates:

- Summer flowers: may be placed the weekend before Easter and may remain until October 1st. All flora items left after October 1st will be disposed of – including those on top of monuments. Small personal items will be left intact as long as they are on the foundation. Large statues and shepherd staff' will also be left intact.
- Winter flowers: may be placed from November 1st to March 15th. All flora items left after March 15th will be disposed of – including those on top of monuments. Small personal items will be left intact as long as they are on the foundation. Large statues and shepherd staff' will also be left intact.

Monuments/Markers

- Benches must be approved by the Cemetery Sexton and placed on foundations. All foundations must be purchased from and installed by the Cemetery Sexton. All benches will be placed in-line with the monuments and must be placed within the boundaries of that plot.
- Monuments (including base) must be 56" or less in height. All monuments must fit with the width of the plot allowing for the placement of the required foundation.
- One (1) monument at the head of the plot and one (1) flat marker in front of this monument will be allowed per plot. Both must be on foundation.
- Niche Columbarium Monuments with single or multiple urns will be allowed but must follow the monument guidelines.
- Individual crypts: **not** permitted.

In-Ground Interments:

- In ground interments on one (1) plot will be allowed as follows and only where space allows:
 - One (1) adult full burial and two (2) urns OR
 - One (1) adult full burial and one (1) infant and one (1) urn OR
 - One (1) infant plus two (2) urns OR
 - Four (4) urns OR
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 - The number of interments/inurnments on plots less than 4'x11' will be determined by the Deyo Cemetery Sexton.
- Full burial: *Deyo Cemetery Sexton has final approval*
 - Minimum of concrete grave liner
 - Vaults may be concrete or metal
- Cremation: No cardboard, Styrofoam or paper containers

Mausoleum:

- Only vases provided by, purchase thought or approved by the Cemetery Office may be installed on the niches/crypts. Two (2) plastic vases will be provided by the Cemetery for each niche/crypt at no cost. Upgrade vases may be purchased through the Cemetery Office. No more than two (2) vases per niche/crypt.
- Items placed in the gravel area around the mausoleum are subject to removal.
- Niches may contain up to two (2) urns, but they both must fit within the 11" cube.
- Crypts may contain up to six (6) urns with no casket or two (2) urns with one (1) casket.

Interment Scheduling:

- No Saturday burial after Noon.
- No Sunday or Federal Holiday burials.
- The time of the burial must be approved by the Cemetery Sexton.

Residency:

- The Cemetery Sexton determines residency.
- Residents leaving the Township to enter a care facility for medical reasons will remain eligible for residency rates.

Purchase of Plots/Deeds:

- All plots with the Cemetery are sold in accordance with the provision of the Ohio Revised Code and shall not be used for any other purpose other than a burial place for dead human remains.

- Plots must be paid for in full before a burial is made. Full purchase price must be paid before a deed is issued.
- Plots may be purchased on a one (1) year payment plan established with the Sexton. If full payment isn't made within one (1) year, all payments will be forfeited and the plot will be returned to inventory.
- Plots purchased after October 11, 2019 must be in the name of the interred.
- Plots purchased after February 11, 2020 by a resident and then later transferred to a non-resident will be charged the transfer fee plus the difference between the resident and non-resident plots fees in place at that time.
- Unused plots may be sold back to Deyo Cemetery at 'face value' at time of purchase. This is at the discretion of the Sexton.

Opening & Closing:

- No pre-arranged payments on opening/closing.
- Disinterment will be allowed per Ohio State Law

Cemetery Pricing:

Cost of Grave Spaces

Resident of Groton Township	\$400.00
Non-Resident	\$650.00

Opening & Closing Weekdays

Residents	\$550.00	<u>Winter Rates</u> – Nov 1 st – March 31 st
Non-Resident	\$650.00	At Sexton's discretion an additional \$75.00
Baby	\$150.00	for frost line will be charged

Opening & Closing Saturday's

Resident	\$550.00	<u>Winter Rates</u> – Nov 1 st – March 31 st
Non-Resident	\$750.00	At Sexton's discretion an addition \$125.00
Baby	\$200.00	for frost line will be charged

Cremation

On Own Lot	\$200.00	<u>Winter Rates</u> – Nov 1 st – March 31 st
On Existing Lot	\$300.00	At Sexton's discretion an additional \$75.00
		for frost line will be charged

Note:

- Saturday's Rate for Cremation Burial is \$350.00
- Must have container for Cremation Burial
- No above ground mausoleum
- No Sunday or Holiday burials

- Opening and Closing cost are based on deceased's address
- Cemetery clean-up schedule: Spring – March 15th and Fall – October 1st
- Transfer of Deeds are \$35.00 per Deed

Disinterred:

Double the resident rate for Opening and Closing plus Vault charge

Per Grave Stipulations:

- One (1) headstone per grave
- Two (2) urns per grave