2020 CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP CEMETERY BY LAWS ADOPTED June 18, 2012

General	The Cemetery Manager and appointed Sexton shall be responsible for the general administration of the following rules:
General	The appointed Crystal Township Cemetery Manager & Sexton will be considered the agent of Crystal Township in most applications of the following rules.
General	Advertising of any description in the cemetery is prohibited.
General	The township reserves the right to adopt additional rules or to amend, alter, or repeal any existing cemetery rule. These rules apply to all spaces and lots regardless of when purchased.
General	The right to change the grading of any part of the cemetery is reserved to the township only.
General	The township disclaims all responsibility for any loss or damage to anything in the cemetery caused by the elements as acts of God, thieves, vandals, strikes, malicious mischief, explosions, accidents, or the like whether the damage be direct or collateral.
General	It is the duty of the space owner to notify the township of any changes of address.
General	Any change of ownership of a space must be approved and reported to the township.
General	No space owner has the right to plant any tree or bush. Only the township can plant bushes, shrubs or trees.
General	The township reserves the right to remove any plant, bush, shrub or tree at any time.
General	The general care of the cemetery is assumed by the township. This care includes cutting the grass three or more times a year, cleaning the grounds one time a year late fall and/or early spring, and pruning bushes and trees.
General	The township reserves the right to correct any errors that may be made in making interments, disinterment's, removals, or in the description, transfer, conveyance of any property. Corrections may be made by canceling a conveyance, or substituting interment property of equal value and to the extent possible similar location, or by refunding the amount of money paid for the property. In the event such error shall involve the interment of remains, the township reserves the right to remove or transfer such remains to such other property or equal value and to the extent possible similar location.
General	All work of any description shall cease while a funeral or interment is being conducted nearby.
General	Soliciting for any type of business on cemetery property is prohibited.
Lots and Owners	No burials will take place between the months of December 1st and March 1st of any given year. If family insists on a burial, fees to open and close will be double at the lot owners expense, and snow removal will also be at lot owners expense.
Lots and Owners	Persons desiring an interment upon the lot of another person must furnish written permission to the appointed cemetery manager from the owner. This permission must be able to be confirmed by the Cemetery Manager & Sexton before the interment will be allowed.
Lots and Owners	The right to dig graves and establish grades is reserved to the township.
Lots and Owners	Outside contractors engaged by any owner to perform work on cemetery grounds must first have permission obtained by the space owner to perform the work and permission from the township.
Lots and Owners	Any ground grade line cannot be changed by space owner.
Lots and Owners	All cemetery lots or spaces are subject to these rules and changes and adoptions hereafter.
Lots and Owners	Cemetery lots or spaces cannot be used for any purpose other than the interment of human remains.

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Lots and Owners	No interment can be used until the site and care & maintenance is paid for.
Lots and Owners	The service charges for opening and closing the grave must be paid for before interment takes place.
Lots and Owners	All fees and charges will be established by the township yearly. Fees and charges are subject to change without notice.
Interment	All interments must be made under the direction of the Cemetery Manager & Sexton.
Interment	After interment, no change in the location of remains will be made except at the expense of the space owner.
Interment	Funeral Directors of space owner funerals will be construed as knowing the wishes of the space owner.
Interment	All graves will be opened and closed by township employees only.
Interment	As soon as flowers used at funerals become faded they can be removed.
Interment	All plastic flowers will be removed by Oct 15th of each year.
Interment	No disinterment will be made without a court order.
Interment	All infants will be buried in a casket with vault
Interment	All adult body interments will be in a concrete vault approved by the township.
Interment	Space owners shall not allow interment in their spaces in return for remuneration of any kind.
Interment	The township will not be responsible for any mistake as a result of an order given by telephone, or any mistake occurring from the lack of precise information as to the location of an interment.
Interment	The township will not be liable for the interment permit or for the identity of the person sought to be buried.
Visitors	The speed in the cemetery is 3 mph.
Visitors	No snowmobiles, motorcycles, or any terrain vehicles will be allowed in the cemetery at any time.
Visitors	All motor vehicles must remain on cemetery roads at all times.
Visitors	Parking is allowed on cemetery roads only.
Visitors	All persons except township employees or contractors are prohibited from removing or pruning any plant, marking, or moving any monument, or in any way defacing any ground or structure in the cemetery.
Visitors	Littering in any form on the cemetery grounds is prohibited.
Decoration of graves	The enclosure of a space by a hedge, wall, curbing, fence, or other structure is prohibited.
Decoration of graves	The township reserves the right to remove any object, structure, plant, shrub, or tree from any location in the cemetery.
Decoration of graves	The township reserves the right of ground planting any kind of plant, shrub, bush, or tree of any kind. Any other ground planting any kind of plant, shrub, bush, or tree of any kind is prohibited.
Decoration of graves	One urn set in straight line with other grave markers and urns are allowed on each space.
Decoration of graves	The allowed urn will be located at the west end of the grave or at another location allowed by the township. Any urn that interferes with grass cutting can be removed by the township.
Decoration of graves	All planting of any type other than that done by the township must be in an urn.
Decoration of graves	All urns can be turned up side down at the time of the fall or spring clean up.

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Care & Maintenance	Care & Maintenance is defined as mowing and trimming the grass three times per year and general clean up once per year.
Care & Maintenance	Care & Maintenance does not include the maintenance or care of any decorations, or memorials.
Care & Maintenance	Only one charge for Care & Maintenance for each space regardless if two interments are on one space. Charge is done on the first burial.
Memorials	All lots are subject to the rules governing the erection of monuments, markers, and mausoleums.
Memorials	Standard bronze, solid natural granite or marble are the only allowed materials for markers and monuments.
Memorials	The location of any marker or monument must be approved by the township.
Memorials	The foundation base for any monument or marker must extend four inches outside the monument or marker, be a minimum of six inches thick, and be set flush with the ground grade level.
Memorials	The setting of all stone will be located under the direction of the township.
Memorials	All monuments and markers will be located at the west end of a grave space, unless different location is granted by the township.
Memorials	Any memorial that interferes with grass cutting can be removed by the township.
Memorials	Contractors and space owners setting memorials will be held responsible for all damages caused by them to cemetery grounds or structures.
Memorials	No contractors or grave space owner will be allowed to set memorials on Saturday, Sunday, or any holiday.
Memorials	Copings of any description around grave sites or lots is prohibited.
Memorials	Mausoleums of any type are prohibited.
Memorials	Any memorial that becomes unsightly, dilapidated, or a menace can be repaired by the township at the grave owner's expense or removal by the township. The owner will be notified, if possible, before the removal or repair takes place.
Memorials	The township without any liability may correct any error in the placing of any memorial.
Memorials	At most, one upright memorial may be placed on any one grave space. All other additional memorials on a grave space must be placed at grade level.
Memorials	Only one monument shall be permitted on each space.
General	A copy of Cemetery By-Laws will be given to anyone who purchases a space, or to any family member wishing a copy.
Sale of Lots or Spaces	All sales of any space or lot shall be executed only by Cemetery Manager. Any other sale of a lot or space will not be recognized by Crystal Township or the Sexton.
Sale of Lots or Spaces	Burial rights, ownership of lots or spaces may only be transferred by the Township Board.
Transfer of lots or Spaces	Burial rights, lots, or spaces, may be transferred by the Cemetery Manager only to persons eligible to purchase lots or spaces.
Purchase price and Fees	The costs of purchase of each space, transfer of ownership of a space, grave opening and closing fee shall be determined by the Crystal Township Board.
Grave Opening	Grave opening and closing shall be done only under the direct supervision of Sexton and at a cost determined by the Crystal Township Board.
Internment Regulations	Only one casket burial & one cremains per space or two cremains are allowed per space.

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Internment Regulations	Cremations, if buried, must be in a State approved container.
Internment Regulations	Not less than 48 hours notice shall be given to the Cemetery Manager of any burial.
Internment Regulations	The ownership of a space and the identity of the person to be buried shall be presented to the Cemetery Manager before internment. The Sexton & Cemetery Manager shall be satisfied that the person to be buried in the burial space is authorized and appropriate before any internment is commenced or completed.
Ground Maintenance	No grading, leveling or excavating is allowed without permission of the Township Board.
Ground Maintenance	Nothing permanent shall be planted in the ground without Crystal Township Board approval.
Ground Maintenance	Surfaces other than sod are prohibited.
Forfeiture	Lots or spaces remaining vacant for 25 years from the date of purchase shall automatically revert to Crystal Township upon the occurrence of the following: (1.) Notice of the expiration of the 40 years time period asking if the owner desires an extension of ownership shall be sent to the last known address of the owner. (2). No written response from owner of the desire to extend ownership of the lot or space is given to the Clerk within 60 days of mailing the notice.
Re-Purchase	Crystal Township shall re-purchase spaces or lots for the amount set each year by Crystal Township Board.
Records	The Cemetery Manager and Sexton shall maintain records concerning all burials, burial permits, space and lot ownership, and a map of the cemetery lots and spaces.
Definitions	A lot is 18 by 24 feet, and contains 8 equal spaces 6 feet by 9 feet.
No Pre-paid	There will be no pre-paid Care & Maintenance or Opening & Closing when a space is purchased.