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Fairview Cemetery Commission

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## **FAIRVIEW CEMETERY**

### **Rules and Regulations**

The following rules and regulations were revised and adopted by the Fairview Cemetery Commission governing the use of all city cemeteries:

***Revised and adopted on January 1, 2019.***

#### **A. General Rules:**

1. The Cemetery is closed to all vehicles and pedestrians between sunset and 8:00 A.M.
2. Trucks and all commercial vehicles are prohibited unless authorized by the Superintendent.
3. All persons performing independent work within the cemetery must obtain authorization from the Superintendent.
4. All work and traffic must stop when a burial service is being conducted.
5. Pots, boxes, and urns are only allowed during the following times of year:
  - December 1<sup>st</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup>
  - May 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>

All items must be removed after these dates. (If not removed by the lot owner, Department employees will remove all items).

The Fairview Cemetery Commission and the City of Chicopee assumes no responsibility for items placed on a grave.

6. No new live plantings in the ground are allowed. All other plantings will be removed by Department employees at no risk to the City of Chicopee, the Fairview Cemetery Commission, or any of its employees.
7. Planting of trees and or shrubs of any type is prohibited.
8. **No artificial grave ornaments are allowed**, including but not limited to the following items:
  - Balloons
  - Vigil lights / candles
  - Glass and / or breakable items of any nature (pots, urns, vases, statues, toys, pictures, etc.)
  - Artificial flowers
  - Wood, metal, wire, nails, or posts that are driven into the ground
9. Enclosures of any kind are prohibited, including but not limited to the following:
  - Fences
  - Ditches
  - Rocks
  - Decorative curbing
  - Other landscape or edging items
10. Only Veterans' flags / veterans' flag markers are permitted to be inserted into the ground
11. **All** monuments must be approved prior to placement on a lot. Monuments may not exceed one third the width of a lot.
12. **Domestic animals such as dogs, horses, cats, etc. (But not limited to these) are prohibited from the cemetery.**
13. There will be no grave openings allowed on Sundays or legal holidays. Holidays are indicated in the Municipal Employee contract.