

Skamania County Cemetery District

Rules and Regulations

The following rules are for the benefit of our community, and Skamania County Cemetery District earnestly tries to enforce them uniformly. They are not in any way intended to restrict you unduly but rather to define an orderly plan of planting, care, and maintenance. We ask that you abide by the following rules and regulations.

1. The plots in each cemetery are for the burial of only such persons or their families, as have paid for and obtained a receipt entitling them to the use of the same. Should the purchaser wish to resell the plot it must be sold back to the Cemetery District at the original purchase price.
2. The Cemetery District Director or Maintenance must do all work (i.e. placing, moving, leveling, etc.) except when prior approval has been given by the Cemetery District Director.
3. Burial options per plot:
 - One casket burial with up to two cremation urns; or
 - Up to eight cremation urns (no casket burial allowed with this option).
 - Each burial will incur charges depending on the situation.
4. Liners or vaults are **required** for all burials (casket or cremation urn).
5. Flowers
 - The Cemetery District will not assume any responsibility for the care, preservation, or safekeeping of any artificial or cut flower arrangements or decorations.
 - Floral arrangement (real or artificial) or potted plants are allowed year-round. They will be pulled when worn or deteriorated and will be pulled at first accumulative snowfall. (All items will be discarded.)
 - No planting of any kind is permitted on any grave. **The planting of trees, shrubs, plants, ground cover, roses, etc. is not allowed.**
 - In sections where planting exists, the Cemetery District reserves the right to remove any or all of these to accommodate maintenance and service of our grounds.
6. Items other than Flowers
 - All Cemetery grounds are open to the public, and for this reason **the Cemetery District cannot be responsible for expensive or valuable items left at a gravesite.**
 - Items must fit on the headstone or within 6" of the edge of the top headstone.
 - Items will be pulled and discarded when worn or deteriorated and will be pulled with the first snowfall.
 - Up to 6 items may be placed per plot, total weight of combined items not to exceed 20 lbs.
 - Any pieces of stone, wood chips, shells, live ammunition, tobacco products, alcohol, or glass of any kind (i.e. vases, bottles, etc.) that may cause a hazardous condition while manicuring cemeteries for visitors **will be removed and disposed of as these are strictly prohibited.**
 - **No concrete/cement statues or sculptures allowed at Wind River Memorial Cemetery.**
7. Headstones
 - Single, flush type markers set at ground level are preferred. Authorized personnel will set markers at current fees. Prior authorization must be received before any work is done (installation, engraving, etc.)
 - **Flat markers only must be used at Wind River Memorial Cemetery.**
 - Curbing, fencing, perimeter outlining, unsightly or otherwise obnoxious structures are not authorized.
 - **Markers and wraps are required to be no less than four inches in thickness.**

- **Markers and wraps must fit within the 4' by 2' footprint at the top of the plot.**
- Additional stones on same plot (up to a total of 4) must be flat markers only.
- Wooden markers are not allowed.
- Markers in Memorial Garden are limited to 6" x 8" in size
- District reserves the right to remove Headstones not in compliance.

8. Benches/Chairs

- Benches are allowed when placed in a common area for benefit of all cemetery patrons and their families.
- The Cemetery District Director and/or the Cemetery District Board of Commissioners will establish this area.

9. Lowering of casket/urn liner and closure of grave will be done after family has left burial site due to safety and liability concerns.

10. Cemetery Employees will not provide Pall Bearer services.

11. Two (2) working days are required for scheduling a service, with the exception of 24-hour burials which incur additional charges.

12. Services will be scheduled to accommodate their completion 2 hours before sundown.

Skamania County Cemetery District reserves the right to amend these rules and regulations from time to time.

We (I) have read the foregoing and understand the contents. I (we) agree to abide by the above Rules and Regulations.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Cemetery District Staff

Purchaser/Next of Kin

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