### WOODLANDS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

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## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

1. All lots in Woodlands Cemetery are sold and regulated in accordance with

The provisions of the New York Cemetery Law (NYCL), and shall be used for

no other purpose than as the burial place for human remains and the pet remains

of lot owners.

2. No interment shall be allowed without the prior permission of Woodlands

Cemetery Association (WCA). Lot owners are prohibited from allowing interments to

be made on their lots for compensation.

- 3. Interments in a lot are restricted to those entitled therein according to the terms of Section 1512 of the Not-for Profit Corporation Law. Permission for those not entitled to burial must be filed with WCA by the lot owner(s). Except as provided for in Section 1513 © of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, no lot owner may transfer his or her lot.
- 4. The full purchase price must be paid before a deed will be issued or a burial permitted.
- 5. WCA will remove flowers, wreaths and other decorations as they become

unsightly and for safety reasons regulates adornments as follows:

- A. A lot owner may not cut grass or change the grade of any lot.
- B. Flowers may be planted <u>beside</u> the monument.
- C. Stone urns or pots are permitted <u>beside</u> the monuments from May 1. For reasons of safety, no wood, metal or plastic containers or decorations are allowed on the ground.
- D. Natural and artificial wreaths may be placed on monuments if securely fastened.
- E. Christmas wreaths may be placed on monuments and tripods after November 15<sup>th</sup>, but must be removed by Feb. 20.
- F. Plastic, glass, shredded Styrofoam, crushed stone, bark etc. are prohibited.
- G. All decorations must be removed by Sept. 15. Lot owners are responsible for removing decorations they wish to save.
- 6. WSA forbids lot owners from planting shrubs and trees and will remove any shrubs or trees deemed dangerous or unsightly with due notice to the owner.
- 7. No more than two funerals may be scheduled in one day, one in the morning, arriving no earlier than 9 a.m. and no later than 11 a.m.; and one in the afternoon, arriving no earlier than 1 p.m. and no later than 3 p.m.
- 8. All business to be conducted on Cemetery grounds must meet with the Supt.'s approval.

A minimum of one full work day of advance notice is required. No business may be conducted during inclement and/or dangerous weather conditions, when a funeral is on the grounds nor on Sundays or holidays.

- 9. All funerals, processions and vehicles upon entering the grounds are under the direction and control of the Supt.
- 10. No vault or mausoleum will be built above ground without the permission of WCA and then only in accordance with their wishes.
- 11. Monuments and markers shall be set in accordance with the design of the Cemetery:

- A. Woodlands builds all foundations for all monuments and markers accepting orders for such work from stone sellers authorized by the lot owners.
  - B. All above ground monuments and markers must be placed at the head of the lot in line with other stones.
  - C. With the approval of WCA flush markers may be placed elsewhere on the lot.
- D. All monuments or markers must be constructed 12 or more inches less than the width of the lot or plot. None may be placed within six inches of the boundary of a lot or plot.
  - E. No above ground monument or marker may be more than 15 inches deep (front to back).
- F. WCA does not accept delivery of monuments. Stone merchants wishing to work in Woodlands must review their business with and receive prior permission from the Supt.
- G. No monument or marker may be placed in Woodlands until a proper foundation has been constructed and due payment received.
- H. WCA does accept delivery of military markers, but only after having received the installation fee and instructions for the placement of the marker.

#### 12. Burials:

- A. WCA requires the use of a burial vault or grave liner except in cases of objection on religious grounds or where the lot was purchased prior to Jan. 1, 1985.
  - B. Only one standard adult interment is permitted in on plot (grave space).
  - C. One infant's case (not to exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in height) may be interred on the grave of an adult.
  - D. One cremated human remains may be placed upon one standard interment.
- E. One pet cremated remains may be interred on the grave of a human. An additional charge will be made for the right of pet cremains.
  - F. Up to two human cremated remains may be placed in one open plot (burial space).
  - G. No standard burial can take place in a plot where there has been a prior interment (including infant remains and cremains).
  - H. Lot capacity is determined by the Supt. through research.
  - I. Standard burials, however old, may not exceed the capacity of the lot (30.5 sq. ft. per standard interment).
  - J. Trees and lot configuration may also limit capacity.
  - K. No burial may be placed within six feet of a road.
- L. Graves will not be opened when weather conditions warrant such refusal. Bodies received during this time will be placed in the vault until Spring.

#### PET CREMATED REMAINS DEFINED

The law defines "pet cremated remains" as ashes and/or other residue recovered after the completion of cremation of any domestic animal that has been adapted or tamed to live in intimate association with people where such cremation has occurred at a pet crematorium. In plain language, this definition excludes livestock and wild animals and requires that the animal was cremated at a licensed pet crematory. The definition of "pet" includes dogs, cats, rodents, fish, birds, snakes, turtles, lizards, frogs and rabbits but is not limited to those animals.

"Pet cremated remains" will be referred to as "Pet Cremains" in the rest of this document.

WHEN MAY PET CREMAINS BE BURIED IN WOODLANDS?

The service of interment of pet cremains in Woodlands Cemetery shall be available to a lot owner where the interment is incidental to the burial of human remains. This means that pet cremains must be interred at the same time as or after the human remains are interred. A fee will be charged for the right of burial for pet remains in addition to the charge for the service of interment.

#### WHERE MAY PET CREMAINS BE INTERRED?

Pet cremains can be interred in a grave, crypt or niche. Pet cremains may not be scattered. The remains must be in a separate container and must not be commingled with cremated human remains. The container may either be placed in the casket of the decedent or buried separately in the same lot. Memorialization of pets is limited to the memorial stone of the human deceased. No additional makers will be permitted.

#### RIGHT OF BURIAL CHARGES FOR PET INTERMENT

The right of burial of pet cremains in existing lots shall be \$200 in addition to the fee for the service of interment.

The charge to include pet burial rights in deed agreements issued after June 1, 2019 will be \$150 in addition to the standard charge for a lot. (example: \$550 plus 150 = \$700)

#### PET CREMAINS RECORDS

Woodlands Cemetery records will indicate:

Name of human deceased

Name and type of animal of the pet

Date of cremation of the pet

Date of interment

Authorization by owner for right and actual interment of pet in their lot including signature.

Proof of sale of pet burial rights in said lot

Where the pet container was placed (casket or buried separately)

CHARGES FOR INTERMENT OF PET CREMAINS

A separate fee shall be made for the service of interment of pet cremains in addition to humans remains on the same lot. The fees will be listed on the Schedule of Cemetery Service Charges under the following headings.

Pet interment of cremains enclosed in human casket .......\$50

WOODLANDS CEMETERY RECORDS OF PET INTERMENTS WILL INDICATE

# **Stone Cleaning Service**

Woodlands will clean stones for lot owners during

July & August on a "first come" basis as time permits.

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