

TRUMBULL TOWNSHIP
ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO
TRUMBULL CENTER CEMETERY
EAST TRUMBULL CEMETERY
FOOTVILLE CEMETERY
RULES AND REGULATIONS

BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

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ADOPTED: July 2, 2019

AMENDED CHARGES: 06/04/2025 TRUSTEES:

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The Board of Trumbull Township Trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations applicable to Trumbull Center Cemetery, East Trumbull Cemetery and Footville Cemetery. Township Trustees who are administrators of the cemetery. It is the desire of the Trustees to provide the most practical means of maintaining, protecting and beautifying the cemetery to the advantage of the general public and all lot owners and to make the cemetery a real memorial.

The rules and regulations which have been set up are contained herein and have been designed to meet the growing needs and to provide the most practical means of maintaining Trumbull Township Cemeteries.

Due to the limited funds available for the operation and maintenance of the cemetery, many of the restrictions are designed to enable the cemetery personnel to function as economically as possible.

TOWNSHIP LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES

The Township disclaims responsibility or liability for accidents or damage to headstones, vases, monuments or plants, resulting from cemetery maintenance. The Township disclaims liability for damages and liability to persons or property caused at any time by Township employees or any other person or entity related directly or indirectly to operation and maintenance of Township Cemeteries for any purpose, at any time. All persons visiting Township Cemeteries will do so at their own risk.

INTERMENTS

1. Morticians, allied industries and their employees connected with the interment of a human body or cremains in Township Cemeteries are under the supervision of the Township Trustees or their representative.
2. Prior to the any burial, funeral directors will be required to provide the Township Trustees or their representative with:
 - a) a completed burial certificate
 - b) a check for the full amount of the burial
3. All material brought to the cemetery and used during funeral services must be removed from the cemetery the same day on which services are held, no later than 4:30 p.m. on weekdays and 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
4. The Township Trustees or their representative will determine the manner in which vaults are set.
5. One human body (other than infant) are permitted in a single grave, unless other arrangements were made prior to January 1, 1999. No more than two infants are permitted in a single grave including infants placed atop existing vaults.
6. No more than four urns with cremains are permitted in a single grave.
7. No burials are permitted on Sundays or the following holidays:
Christmas, Thanksgiving, Columbus Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Presidents' Day, Veterans' Day, Martin Luther King Day Jr., Labor Day, and New Years' Day. On Saturdays, burials will require an additional charge.

8. Hours for burials: a) weekdays before 1:30 P.M.
b) Saturdays before 2:00 P.M.
9. Burials must be scheduled 48 hours before interment. Funeral directors are requested to provide timely notice if arrival at the cemetery is expected to be delayed more than 15 minutes after the scheduled time.
10. All interments of bodies shall be in approved vaults. All interments of cremains shall be in urns.
11. All burials shall be to a depth of 4 ½ feet to the bottom of the grave.

DISINTERMENTS

1. The Township Trustees may, on application of the next of kin of the deceased disinter or issue written authorization for such disinterment and delivery of any body buried in Township Cemeteries to such next of kin, after advance payment of the reasonable cost and expense of disinterment. No disinterment shall occur until the Ashtabula County Board of Health has issued a permit to persons seeking disinterment.
2. An application for disinterment shall be in writing and shall state the following:
 - a) the relationship of the applicant to the deceased
 - b) that the applicant is the next of kin to the deceased
 - c) that the applicant is of full age and sound mind
 - d) the cause or disease of which the deceased died and where the body shall be re-interred.
 - e) such application shall be subscribed and verified by oath
3. Disinterment may also be made upon court order on terms ordered by the court.

SALE

1. The deed to a cemetery lot conveys only burial rights, and the title to the land remains with Trumbull Township. Purchasers of lots or graves complying with the terms of sale will receive a deed executed by the Township Trustees signed by the Township Fiscal Officer and recorded in the Township Record of Cemetery Lots.
2. The purchase of cemetery lots or graves shall be arranged through the Township Fiscal Officer, the Township Trustees, or their designed representative. All sales are by check and no credit can be extended for the purchase of a lot. A current fee schedule for lots shall be maintained by the Township Trustees.
3. The Township Trustees may accept for resale any unused lots or graves on the condition that the cost not exceed the original purchase price, but only after the original deed is presented.

USE

1. Interment in a grave will be permitted for the body of the owner of the lot named as grantee in the deed or for bodies of immediate family members. The burial of the body of any person other than the lot owner or their immediate family members will require written permission from all survivors of the owner of the lot.

TRANSFERS

1. Cemetery lots or graves may be transferred from the original owner or next of kin or heir upon application to the Trumbull Township Trustees and the surrender of the original deed. If the application is made by an heir of the owner it should be accompanied by a legal written waiver of all claims for burial by the remaining heir. New deeds will be issued to the new owners.

MONUMENTS AND HEADSTONES

1. No single headstones marking a single grave shall have a base or ground area greater than sixteen inches (16") wide, thirty inches (30") long and four feet (4') high.
2. Where two (2) graves side by side are sold, one (1) monument is permitted, not to exceed four feet (4') in length and height and sixteen inches (16") in width.
3. Flush markers must be no greater than twelve inches (12") by twenty-four inches (24").

FOUNDATIONS

1. Foundations for all headstones and monuments are required and must be installed by a monument company. Minimum depth is twenty inches (20"). Foundations may be poured or precast. Foundations will be installed only two (2) times in each year, in May and October, weather permitting. Applications and payment for foundation must be received by May 1st or October 1st of each year.

GRAVES AND GROUNDS

1. Grave surfaces shall be kept level with the surrounding terrain.
2. No turf shall be removed for flowerbeds or other purposes.
3. Wreaths, decorations, artificial flowers, etc. that in the discretion of the Township Trustees or their designated representative, interfere with mowing are not allowed from April 15th to October 15th. Those not timely removed will be discarded.
4. Flowers placed on graves at the time of burial and not removed will be disposed of at the discretion of the Township Trustees or their designated representative.
5. If any tree or shrub standing on any lot shall, by means of its roots, branches, or otherwise, become detrimental, dangerous or inconvenient to adjacent lots, or if they become unsightly, the Township Trustees shall have discretion to remove such tree or shrub or any portion thereof.

6. No trees, fence, hedge, enclosure, landscaping mulch, or stones, glassware, cans, crockery, boxes, baskets, shells or watering pots or curbing of any kind will be permitted on lots.
7. No person shall deposit anywhere within the cemetery limits debris, rubbish, or waste material of any nature except that resulting from decoration or care of lots. Such debris and materials shall be deposited at places or in receptacles designated for such use.
8. Requests for special work in anticipation of Memorial Day must be made in writing no later than May 1st.
9. Seats or benches will not be permitted, other than those placed by the Township.
10. Metal emblems and markers may be placed on graves to hold flags, indicating veterans or other organizations, as may markers used as temporary grave markers. Such emblems or markers shall be removed when deemed advisable by the Township Trustees.
11. Minors are prohibited from entering the Township Cemeteries at any time, unless accompanied by an adult who will be responsible for their conduct and actions.
12. Visitors are prohibited from picking any plants, whether cultivated or wild, disturbing birds or animals, damaging trees or shrubs, marring monuments or landmarks, or in any way defacing cemetery grounds. Visitors are not permitted to sit or stand upon any monuments.
13. No advertising of any form will be permitted within cemetery boundaries.
14. No person shall discharge firearms within the Township Cemeteries except for military funerals or for Memorial Day services.
15. The Township Cemetery grounds are closed from sunset to sunrise, and violators of this provision are subject to arrest and prosecution.
16. Any person acting in a boisterous or loud manner, or in any way improper to the to the sanctity of the grounds, may be expelled.
17. No alcohol or consumption of alcohol and no drugs or drug paraphernalia are permitted in the Township Cemeteries.
18. All persons are reminded that the grounds are sacredly devoted to the burial of the dead and that the provisions and penalties of the law will be strictly enforced.

TRAFFIC RULES WITHIN CEMETERY

1. Entrance to the cemetery shall be made only by the walks and drives maintained by Trumbull Township for this purpose.
2. Walks and drives in the cemetery shall not be used as thoroughfares or public highways. Mini-bikes, four-wheelers, snowmobiles or any other similar type of vehicles are not permitted in the Township Cemeteries, except as official escorts.
3. There shall be no driving over the lawns or walkways.

4. The speed limit of the drives shall be ten (10) miles per hour.
5. Visitors on foot have the right-of-way in use of the drives.

CHARGES

The following are charges currently in effect:

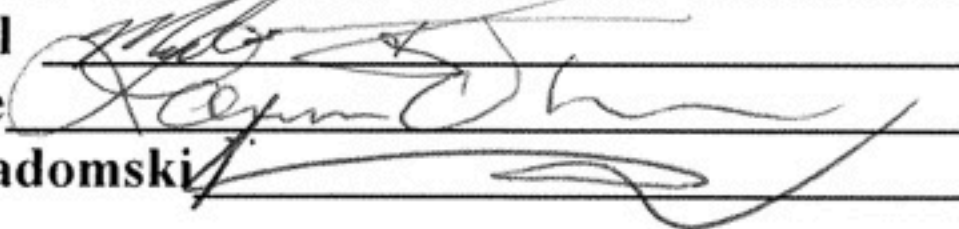
GRAVE PURCHASE: \$350.00
GRAVE OPENING: Resident \$200.00
GRAVE OPENING: Non-Resident \$250.00
URN BURIAL: \$75.00
WEEKEND COSTS ADDITIONAL \$100.00 (Saturday only)
DISINTERMENT: \$1,000.00

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GRAVE PURCHASE: \$550.00
GRAVE OPENING: \$300.00
URN BURIAL: \$100.00
WEEKEND COSTS ADDITIONAL \$150.00 (Saturday only)
DISINTERMENT: \$1,500.00 plus full court costs if applicable

POLICY FOR INDIGENT BURIALS:

The Trumbull Township Board of Trustees will establish a policy to provide township funds, the cost of not more than \$750.00 for the burial by cremation and a stone or concrete marker including at least the person's name and age, if known, and date of death. This person must be a legal resident of the township or a person found dead in the township and not claimed by any person. This person must be proven to be indigent. The township will provide a grave and grave opening for the cremated remains.

This policy becomes effective on July 2, 2019.

The rules and regulations for the Trumbull Township Cemeteries have been updated and revised on July 2, 2019, by the Trumbull Township Board of Trustees.

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