

Greenhill Cemetery Rules

Cemetery rules are designed for the benefit and guidance of lot owners. We ask for your help in preserving the neatness and care of the grounds, remembering that anything that enhances their appearance benefits you as a lot owner. Please note that grave decorations are placed at your own risk. The City is not responsible for items left in the cemetery and is not obligated to replace or pay for decorations that are removed, moved, stolen, damaged, or destroyed. Any decorations, enclosures, or adornments not conforming to policy may be removed at any time.

-Headstones, footstones, and monuments are the property of the lot owner. Memorial appearance and maintenance are the owner's responsibility. Foundations need to be installed with 6 inches on front and back of monument and 1 foot on each end and 24 inches deep.

-Pets cannot be buried in the Cemetery.

-Anyone entering the Cemetery shall conduct themselves with due respect for the sanctity of the Cemetery and those buried here. Disruptive or unauthorized disrespectful behavior and loitering are prohibited.

-Smoking, illegal substances, and excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages are not permitted within the Cemetery.

-No unsupervised children allowed on cemetery grounds.

-Use the established roads and walks. No driving or parking on lawn areas.

-All animals must be on a leash and waste cleaned up.

-No trespassing after dark.

-No person shall deface, desecrate, or otherwise damage any monument, marker, headstone, decoration, or other improvement within the Cemetery; nor shall any person injure, damage, or destroy any tree, shrub, or plant therein. Any person committing such acts shall be subject to arrest and prosecution.

-Spring clean up of the Cemetery will begin two weeks prior to Easter every year. All items will need to be removed from the burial spaces ahead of time and can be replaced after Good Friday. Anything remaining will be subject to disposal without compensation or replacement. (Annual notice will be posted on City of Columbia City's website, Facebook and in the local newspaper).

-No fence or enclosure of any kind may be erected on any lot or grave. Glass items on heavy cement bases are prohibited.

-No trees, flowers, bushes, or vegetable plants can be planted in any space in the cemetery.

-All floral arrangements should be placed on the foundation or headstone to allow for summer mowing.