

Cemetery Office:

Town Office Building
41 Cochituate Road
Wayland, MA 01778
(508) 358-3672

Cemeteries:

Lakeview- Route 30
North- Route 27
South- Routes 27 and 126

Cemetery Rules

The Wayland Park and Recreation Commissioners, acting also as the Cemetery Commissioners according to Town By-Laws, has compiled this information as a guide to proper use of the Town Cemeteries. These rules may be adjusted by Commissioners, as needed, to carry out their duties. General cemetery rules are listed first, followed by rules in specific areas and ending with a glossary of cemetery terms.

General Rules

1. The cemeteries shall be open from 7:15 a.m. to sunset, and after sunset all unauthorized persons must leave the grounds.
2. Visitors shall respect the solemnity of the cemeteries and strictly observe the rules which have been established for the purpose of securing quiet and good order at all times within the grounds.
3. No lot or portion of a lot may be sold except by or through the hands of the Commissioners, and no division of a lot may be made unless expressly authorized by them, and on the death of the person having charge of a lot, the survivors shall arrange with the Commissioners as to who shall succeed to the charge of the lot.
4. If a lot owner wishes to assure burial privileges to an individual in said lot, he may do so by notifying the Cemetery Commission in writing. This must be signed, dated and notarized.
5. The Commission shall make reasonable efforts to protect flowers, trees, shrubs, and other property, but the Cemetery Commission shall not accept responsibility for their protection, nor replacement.
6. Picnics, parties, and those persons with refreshments are not allowed in the cemeteries. No alcoholic beverages are allowed.
7. Firearms and dogs running at large are prohibited in the cemeteries.
8. Entering the cemeteries, except through the regularly established entrances, is prohibited.
9. Plucking flowers, plants, or shrubs, whether cultivated or wild, breaking or injuring any property whatsoever; including birds, squirrels and other animals is prohibited. Driving on lawns is also absolutely prohibited.
10. Loitering or intruding upon a funeral service, or standing about an open grave to satisfy idle curiosity, is strictly prohibited.
11. Driving or riding in any vehicle in any cemetery, with the intent to pass through, is prohibited.
12. The following are forbidden in the cemeteries: rollerskating and skateboarding; the use of mini-bikes and go-carts; horseback riding; a display and /or sale of goods, wares, or

merchandise; instructing person in the use and operation of a motor vehicle; the use of cemetery roadways for pleasure driving.

13. No tomb, mausoleum, crypt, or other structure (intended for above ground interment) may be constructed within the bounds of the cemetery.
14. The said lot shall not be used for any other purpose than as a place of burial for the human dead; no trees within the lot or border shall be cut down, destroyed, or altered, neither shall any change be made in a lot except with the approval and under direction of the said Commissioners, who may make such change when in their opinion it becomes necessary for the safety and/or improvement of the Cemetery.
15. No lot owner shall allow the remains of any person to be deposited within the bounds of his lot for profit.
16. The Superintendent may expel from the grounds or cause to have arrested any person violating any of these rules and regulations.

Definitions

Lot	The term <i>lot</i> shall apply to numbered divisions as shown on the record card and may consist of two or more graves.
Grave	The term <i>grave</i> applies to a space of sufficient size to accommodate one full size interment and/or up to six cremated remains.
Interment	The term <i>interment</i> applies to the permanent disposition of the remains of a deceased person by burial.
Cremation	The term <i>cremation</i> means the technical process by which human remains are reduced to bone fragments.
Deed	The term <i>deed</i> applies to the original conveyance document given by the Cemetery Department to the original purchaser.
Memorial	The term <i>monument</i> shall include a tombstone or memorial of granite or marble which shall extend about the surface of the ground.
Marker	The term <i>marker</i> means a memorial flush with the ground usually located at a particular grave.