

**Sacred Heart Cemetery – *Garfield St. & Tilton Ave***

**St Lambert Cemetery – *Province Road***

**Laconia, NH**



## **Rules & Regulations Supplement**

*In Addition to the Diocese of Manchester Cemetery Rules and Regulations - 2021*

## **Sacred Heart & St. Lambert Cemeteries Rules and Regulations Supplement**

- 1. Conditions of Sale:** Lot License holders for burial lots simply acquire the right and privilege of burial of the dead in accordance with the Diocese of Manchester's rules and Regulation, and are subject to conditions, rules, and regulations (Including this supplement) now in force or which may be enacted hereafter at any time, at management's discretion.
  
- 2.** Every operation connected with the cemetery shall be performed by the designated caretaker / sexton or one delegated by them. These operations include but are not limited to the opening and closing of a grave, the laying of the foundation or base of a monument, the setting of markers, memorials, or corner posts, seeding, fertilization, weed control, weed trimming, mowing, etc.
  
- 3.** Use of vault in winter: In the event an interment is in a location unsuitable for winter burial, conditions curtail winter operations, or if management is unable to accommodate a winter burial for any reason whatsoever, interments may be stored in our vault until the Saturday before Memorial Day Weekend. The pastor and/or Sexton will determine the time for the opening of the graves when the ground thaws.
  
- 4.** All cremated remains shall be interred in a proper urn vault, supplied by the cemetery. Two (2) cremations interments may be placed in each single grave, provided no full interments are present, in which case one (1) cremation interment may be buried in a single grave in addition to the full interment.
  
- 5.** In reference to Rule #4, additional interments of cremated remains which exceed two (2) in a single grave, may be allowed at the sole discretion of Management, but shall incur an additional right of burial charge to be set by management. The maximum additional interments that management can grant is two (2), giving a total of four (4) cremation interments in a single grave. This rule is null and void if a full interment is present in the grave in question.
  
- 6.** Funeral Homes, or Loved Ones arranging interment of cremains, must provide the dimensions of the urn to be buried at least 72 hours BEFORE arrival at cemetery, to ensure a proper size opening and the proper urn vault provided.

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7. Management is not responsible for any mistake occurring from the want of proper instructions as to the grave location where interment is made. Management reserves the right to make an equitable charge whenever additional labor costs result from such mistakes.
8. No interment shall be permitted in any lot until satisfactory financial arrangements have been made for the entire lot. Satisfactory payment amount is to be decided by management
9. Any service that is not accompanied by a funeral home shall be subject to a no funeral home fee to be set by management.
10. Management has the right to set prices, fees, and requirements for all interments and any additional services offered in conjunction therewith.
11. The prices required for all services will be calculated on the day of the service (unless prearranged with management beforehand) in accordance with the most recent General Price List that is posted on our website. <http://eternalrestlaconia.com>
12. Winter operations are not guaranteed. From December 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> or anytime there is snow cover or frozen ground, cemetery management may curtail any or all operations at its sole discretion.
13. Winter operations are, as a rule, not available at St. Lambert Cemetery
14. The cemetery is not responsible for lot owners within the cemetery incurring loss or damage to their property (i.e stones and décor). The cemetery disclaims all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond its reasonable control, and especially damages caused by elements, acts of God, theft or vandalism.
15. Vehicular traffic is limited to paved roadways ONLY. Driving or parking on the grass is strictly prohibited.
16. Sledding, Biking, Roller Skating, Skateboarding, and any other recreational activity taking place in the cemetery is prohibited.

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17. Walking on grass areas, especially in the winter months, is done at a person's own risk. The Cemetery shall not be held liable for injuries resulting from such activity.
18. **Perpetual Care Required:** Owners of lots not presently under perpetual care shall be required to place said lot under perpetual care, at a price determined by the schedule of fees at that time. Graves shall not be opened in such lots until perpetual care is paid.
19. **Perpetual Care to Include:** Perpetual care shall include mowing the grass, seeding after an interment, filling in sunken graves to "lot level", and other maintenance meaning and intending the general preservation of lots, grounds, walks, roadways, boundaries, and structures, thus the grounds shall be reasonably cared for as burial grounds in perpetuity. It does not include working with stones at all or the leveling or raising of any stones, markers, or corner posts.
20. Management shall not be responsible for any order given in any manner that is not in writing.
21. No transfer of assignments of lots or graves can be made without the consent and the written permission of management.

**Monumentation Regulations**

22. No monument or marker shall be placed on any lot until payment of said lot has been made in full, including perpetual care.
23. Cemetery personnel will remove ANY decoration or monumentation that is not in compliance with all the rules and regulations, is a hinderance to maintenance, possesses a safety risk, is judged by maintenance to be broken, dead or unsightly, or is a detriment in any way to the ascetics of the cemetery.
24. No more than one upright monument will be allowed per lot.
25. There shall be no more than two (2) flat markers per grave

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26. All monuments shall be constructed of first quality granite. Marble or any other material for monumentation shall not be permitted.
27. Maximum monument sizes for all sections:
- a. Single Grave Lot (Flush Marker Only) → 2'0" X 1'0"
  - b. Two Grave Lot ---(3' tall from ground)-→ 3'4" X 1'2"
  - c. Three Grave Lot --(3' tall from ground)-→ 5'0" X 1'2"
  - d. Four Grave Lot ---(3'4" tall from ground)-→ 7'0" X 1'6"
28. Management shall always have the right to reject the quality, dimensions, and proposed location of all monuments and markers being placed in the cemetery. All monuments and flat markers must have approval of the sexton before being purchased. All images and script on memorials and monuments must be of an authentic Christian nature, should reflect the catholic faith of the deceased and shall be in accordance with Diocesan rules.

**Decoration Regulations**

29. Flowers urns and planters are permitted on the base of the monument or may be fashioned for the top of the monument; urns and planters are not permitted on the ground.
30. Remembrance lamps are only allowed against the monument base.
31. NOTHING, including but not limited to; trees, shrubs, plants, or flowers may be planted in the ground, except by management.
32. Decorations may be placed on the grass beginning the Friday before Memorial Day (the day it is observed) and must be removed by the Sunday after the Holiday. No other memorials, decorations, etc. may be placed on the ground at any other time of the year, unless management grants special permission.
33. All property left at the cemetery is at the sole risk of the owner, including flower urns and remembrance candles.

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- 34.** Any decorations that fall off stones will be thrown away, management is not liable for any damage to or loss of decorations, trinkets, statuary, flags, etc.
- 35.** Hanging basket hangers are not allowed. Management will remove them and will not be held liable for any damage or loss to/of the hanger or the plant.
- 36.** Balloons are prohibited.
- 37.** Solar lights may not be placed in the ground.
- 38.** Flags (American or Armed Services flags only) are allowed in ground only against monument base, and if the "pole" in the ground is constructed of metal or wood.
- 39.** Any flag that is tattered, torn, broken, touching the ground, blown over, badly faded, unstapled, etc., or in any other way is not in accordance with our rules and regulations, will be removed and disposed of properly.
- 40.** All decorations are subject to removal when they are unsightly, cluttered, distasteful, or unseasonal. Such judgment will be made by cemetery staff at their own discretion.
- 41.** All decorations, flowers and other items that are removed from a lot will be discarded
- 42.** Wreath stands and wreaths may be placed on lots after Thanksgiving and stay up until January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 43.** Every spring, any decorations, wreath stands, unsightly, sun faced, tattered, or damaged décor must be removed by April 1<sup>st</sup> or they will be subject to removal by cemetery staff
- 44.** Flower planters or urns that show evidence of no use for at least one full calendar year may be removed by management, even if they are on the upright stone.