

**OAKLEY TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS
AS REVISED BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE OAKLEY TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES, MAY 1995**

GRADING, PLANTING, ETC.

SEC. 1. The Trustees have no wish to interfere with the taste of individuals in regard to the style of improvement, but in justice to the interests of the community, the Trustees reserve the right of prevention or removing any structure or object which they shall deem injurious to the general good appearance of the grounds, and particularly of adjoining lots.

SEC. 2. To prevent injury to adjoining lots, and to preserve the beauty of the grounds, no trees, shrubs, or artificial decorations shall be planted or placed on graves or lots. Decorations or flowers (live or artificial) shall be limited to placement on grave stone or grave head.

SEC. 3. Boxes, shells, toys, flower containers, tools, etc., scattered on the grave or lots are inconsistent with the proper keeping of the grounds and will not be permitted. No hangers or vases unless part of stone.

SEC. 4. No coping, fence or enclosure of any kind will be permitted on burial lots, not any line of demarcation between lots.

SEC. 5. All persons are prohibited from plucking flowers, either wild or cultivated, breaking or injuring any tree, plant, or shrub, or in any way injuring any monument, vault, or other structure.

SEC. 6. Every possible privilege will be freely extended to lot holders and other visitors who deport themselves becomingly. A cemetery, however, is neither a playground nor a public park, but the last resting place of departed friends, and the property of the place should be preserved and well-disposed persons will confer a favor by informing the Cemetery Trustees of any breach of these regulations or decorum that may be under their notice, that such offenders may be vigorously punished.

MARKERS, MONUMENTS, AND GRAVES

SEC. 7. In order to maintain the appearance of the cemetery grounds at the highest standards, all foundations for stones and markers shall be installed by professional marker personnel. He shall, subject to regulation by the Trustees, install government markers.

SEC. 8. Foundations for monuments shall be at least three feet in the ground. Smaller monuments at least two feet to eighteen inches in the ground must be approved by the Trustees.

SEC. 9. The tops of all stones and markers placed at the foot of any grave shall be level with the ground surface. The bases of all stones and markers shall not be less than four inches nor more than six inches larger than the horizontal area of the bottom of the stones or markers placed thereon. Cemetery Trustees reserve the right to have base and markers installed according to regulations.

SEC. 10. All grave digging shall be done by persons designated by Trustees and all burials must be in concrete enclosures.

SEC. 11. Artificial flowers (and urns) are prohibited in these cemeteries from April until November with the exception of Easter, Memorial Day, Mother's Day, and Father's Day. Artificial flowers are limited to three days, during these said holidays. This will include the day before each said holiday through the day after.

SEC. 12. The Township will not be held responsible for damaged or deteriorated stones in any township cemeteries. The deed holder will be responsible for all maintenance of stones.

**Thank you,
Oakley Township Cemetery Trustees**