

Rules, Regulations and Restrictions
Lake Township Cemetery, Wood County, Ohio
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1. These Rules, Regulations and Restrictions shall supersede all former Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions and become effective as amended and be in force on and after November 7, 2019 and per Section 517.07 of the Ohio Revised Code.

LOTS

2. Residents and Non-residents of Lake Township are welcome to purchase burial places in this cemetery.
3. The sale of lots or burial places shall be the responsibility of the Lake Township Trustees or the person/persons designated by the Trustees to conduct such sales.
4. A grave or graves required for immediate burial shall be **Paid in Full** before burial.
5. All money is to be paid to the Township clerk, or the person designated by the Lake Township Trustees.
6. A proper receipt shall be issued by the Township Clerk or person designated for all received money.
7. A copy of the Rules, Regulation, and restrictions, Lake Township Cemetery, Wood County, Ohio will be furnished to grave purchaser.

GRAVE PRICES

8. Prices of burial places to Resident purchasers: Single Grave-\$500.00
9. Prices of burial places to Non-Resident purchasers: Single Grave-\$1,000.00
- (a) Each grave is 10 feet long by 40 inches wide.
10. Non-Residents owning real estate in Lake Township having a tax valuation of \$5000.00 minimum shall be considered a Resident purchaser under Rule 9.
- (a) A Resident parent or child may purchase graves for a Non-Resident parent or child, at the Resident price under Rule 9.
11. The repurchase of lots by the Township Trustees from owner of deed shall be at the discretion of the Lake Township Trustees.

DEEDS

12. The Trustees of Lake Township shall issue and deliver to the purchaser of the burial plot a deed when all accounts are paid in full.
13. All accounts must be paid in full within sixty (60) days of purchase date. Plots not paid in full within sixty (60) days remain the property of Lake Township Trustees. At the next Regular Meeting of the Trustees, sixty (60) days after the purchase date, said plot or plots will be offered to the public for resale. No further notice will be given to purchaser. The resale of plot or plots shall be at the discretion of the Trustees.
14. Joint deeds will be issued only at the discretion of the Trustees.
15. A transfer of a deed by a Resident to a Non-Resident shall include the difference in cost between resident and non-resident pricing.
16. A transfer of a deed by a Resident to a Non-Resident child or parent shall be by payment of a \$15.00 per grave.
17. A charge of \$15.00 per grave will be made for all transfers, issuances and recording of the new deed, also any duplicate issued. All transfers are at the discretion of the Lake Township Trustees.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

18. The trustees shall cause every grave to be leveled and filled to correspond to the general surface of the cemetery.
19. No permanent fixtures or decorations shall be placed on the grave. Cement or ornamental benches are not permitted.
20. No plants or decorations are to be placed further than one (1) foot from the foundation during the summer mowing season.
 - (a) Flower beds, individual plants etc., may be located between the monument and the head stone, within one (1) foot of the monument.
 - (b) Decorations shall not exceed two (2) feet in height. Shepherd hooks are exempt.
 - (c) Decorations shall not be permanently affixed to the headstone, foundation or in the earth.
 - (d) Inflatable toys, balloons, plastic objects, windmills, animals and/or homemade objects deemed offensive and intrusive by the Cemetery Sexton or others whose lots may be located nearby will be removed after three (3) days.
 - (e) The use of glass containers, loose stones, fences or arbors on graves is prohibited.
 - (f) The planting of trees, shrubbery, bushes, or roses is not permitted.
 - (g) Any unsightly or illegal plantings/decorations planted or placed after January 2005 shall be removed by the Cemetery Sexton. Permission from the Cemetery Sexton is necessary prior to installation of any plantings or decorations other than those previously listed.
 - (h) Use of roller blades, roller skates, biking, or roller boarding are prohibited.

- (i) The Lake Township Cemetery bears no responsibility for any loss or damage to plantings or decorations placed on lots.
 - (j) All winter wreaths, pillows, etc. must be removed by March 15. Grave blankets are permitted from December 1 through March 15th.
21. All tombstones, markers, headstones, or other permanent fixtures shall be placed only under the supervision of the Trustees or person designated by them at a footer cost determined by size.
- (a) Monuments or markers over 36" long are not permitted on a single grave.
 - (b) Foundations for all memorials shall be placed only under the supervision of the Trustees, or person designated by them.
 - (c) The foundations shall be no less than two (2) feet thick, of proper concrete construction with four (4) foot supporting pillar or pillars of concrete, attached to and made part of the base, with a four (4) inch border around the foundation.
 - (d) Monuments shall not exceed 36" in height, 16" in width, or 30" in length for a single grave space. Monuments shall not exceed 56" for a 2 grave space.
 - (e) Monument and marker inscriptions are the responsibility of the family and monument company.
 - (f) Monuments ordered from online or internet companies cannot be received by Lake Township Cemetery. They cannot be unloaded or placed by Lake Township Cemetery employees.
 - (g) Cremains must be in a durable container, no cardboard or wooden containers.
 - (h) Cremains that are placed directly into a monument must be reported to Lake Township cemetery with a Cremation Certificate. There will be a \$35.00 registration fee for these placements.
22. No foundation shall be placed until six (6) months after burial and graves have been paid in full. No foundations shall be placed from November 7th through April 7th, or at **the discretion** of the Trustees or person designated by them.
23. Trees shrubs, bushes, plants, or other articles deemed detrimental or offensive to the general appearance or maintenance of the cemetery may be trimmed or removed by the Trustees at their discretion.
24. Indigent burials shall be made according to O.R.C. governing such burials.
25. The Lake Township Cemetery will take all reasonable precautions to protect grave/lot owners and the property rights of grave/lot owners within the cemetery from any loss or damage, either natural or manmade. However, the Lake Township Cemetery is not responsible for any loss or damage to monuments, headstones, markers, foundations, personal property, plantings or decorations placed on graves/lots. Furthermore, The Lake Township Cemetery is not responsible for any loss or damage either natural or manmade occurring to vehicles, entering, exiting, traveling, or parked on cemetery property whether the damage or loss be direct or collateral.

By-Laws

26. Violators of article 27: (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law for the following:
- (a) Vehicle speed shall not exceed ten (10) miles per hour.
 - (b) Parking is permitted only on driveways. Care should be employed in parking.
 - (c) Any person injuring or disturbing the shrubbery, plants, flowers, or defacing or damaging memorial or other articles that are a part of the cemetery.
 - (d) The cemetery shall be open to visitors and plot owners from one half hour prior to sunrise until one half hour after sunset, unless in the judgment of the Trustees a necessity arises to close and secure the gates.
 - (e) No pets, unleashed or leashed are allowed in the cemetery.
27. These Rules, Regulations, and Restrictions may be altered or amended at the discretion of the Trustees of Lake Township.

BURIAL

28. The Trustees of Lake Township, or other designated by them, shall be notified of every prospective burial at least forty-eight (48) week-day hours before interment is to be made; otherwise they will not be held responsible for delays. (Monday morning burials must be called in by Friday at 12:00)
29. The following charges shall be made for digging graves, and must be paid prior to burial to the person so designated by the Township Trustees.

Residential Burial	\$500.00
Non-Residential Burial	\$1,000.00
Infant Burial- 0-6 years old	\$200.00
Residential Cremation Burial	\$300.00
Residential Cremation Burial with Vault	\$400.00
Non-Resident Cremation	\$500.00
Non-Residential Cremation with Vault	\$600.00
Burial- Cremation Saturday	\$400.00 additional

Burial- Cremation Sunday and holidays	\$500.00 additional
Disinterment	\$650.00
Infant and Cremains Disinterment	\$300.00
Late burial fee-after 2:30 p.m.	\$350.00

Cremation Document Fee

Placement of cremation document	35.00 per cremation
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No more than two (2) cremation burials per grave or one (1) burial per grave shall be permitted.

30. The burial of a Non-Resident on a plot owned by a Resident shall be permitted only with an additional charge of the difference between Resident and Non-resident grave costs plus the opening and closing charges.
31. The burial of a Non-Resident minor child on a plot owned by a Resident shall be permitted without additional charge.
32. No wooden boxes or air dome vaults are permitted; only grave liner or top seal vaults are permitted.
33. No animal burials are allowed in the cemetery.
34. The burial of a long-term Resident who for reasons beyond their control has sought shelter, health care or institutional help beyond the Township's boundaries shall be charged the Residential burial rate.