

Welton Cemetery Rules and Regulations
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The Welton Cemetery Board of Directors has adopted Rules and Regulations governing the operations of Welton Cemetery. The Rules and Regulations are as follows:

1. Welton Cemetery's normal hours are from daylight to dusk. Anyone on the premises before or after these hours may be considered a trespasser.
2. Only flowering plants are permitted. Neglected plants will be removed. Tall flowering plants shall be placed behind the stone so the monument can be read. Plants that are six (6) inches or less high can be planted in front of monument. Flowers planted may not extend more than twelve (12) inches from the front or back of monument base and six (6) inches on either side. Mulch may be placed around stones as long as weeding is done. No stone material can be placed around headstones.
3. No planting of trees or shrubs will be permitted. Any tree or shrub already planted becomes the property of the Welton Cemetery Board of Directors. If any tree, shrub or other structure, standing on any lot, shall in any way become detrimental, dangerous, or inconvenient to adjacent lots or avenues, or if it becomes unsightly, or if for any reason its removal shall be deemed necessary by the Board of Directors, the Village shall have the right to remove such tree, shrub, or other structure, or any part thereof.
4. Decorations, artificial flowers, live flowers from burials must be removed within thirty (30) days after the burial. There shall be no valuable or oversized items left at the graveside. All holiday decorations must be removed by April 1 in preparation for Memorial Day services. Remaining decorations will be removed at the Cemetery Boards discretion. Items such as glass jars or any breakable items are not permitted at gravesites and will be removed for safety purposes.
5. Upon interment, identification of deceased will be placed at the gravesite, and remain in place indefinitely, or until a footer and/or a monument are placed.
6. All monuments shall have a concrete foundation. Foundation work will be completed prior to the delivery of the monument. Concrete foundations are installed between April and October yearly. All plaques must be on a slanted and raised foundation for mowing purposes. Sandstone monuments are not permitted in Welton Cemetery. If someone wishes to remove or replace a foundation for a monument, the work must be completed through a company approved by the Cemetery Board and at the requestor's expense.
7. All burials and concrete foundations are done by an approved contractor hired by the Cemetery Board of Directors only. No other contractors or private individuals are permitted to perform foundation or digging in Welton Cemetery. There shall be no

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burials by individuals or funeral directors without the full consent of the Cemetery Board or its Clerk. Families or individuals are not permitted to make burials on their own. Violators will be required to pay expenses of correcting any problems.

8. Full burials are required to have cave-in proof vaults. Said vaults shall be constructed of steel re-enforced concrete with or without a top seal. No vaults, crypts or other structures are permitted in Welton Cemetery.

9. All cremation burials shall be in substantial urns or boxes that will not deteriorate for several years. Wood, glass jars or cardboard urns are not acceptable. All burials must be subject to Welton Cemetery's Rules and Regulations. All burials must comply with these Rules.

10. One lot may contain one (1) full burial and up to two (2) cremations or the gravesite may contain up to three (3) cremations if no full burial has been made. Two (2) full burials in one lot is not permitted.

11. The purchase or resale of lots must be made through the office of the Cemetery Clerk for record keeping. All graves are purchased at the prevailing rate. The Village buy-back of currently deeded lots is made at the original purchase price. Cash, check or money order are acceptable methods of payment. You must live in the Village at least one year to qualify for Village resident rates.

12. For the purposes of buying a cemetery plot, "Resident" price refers to plots being purchased by those individuals who are **current** residents of Burton Village at the time of purchase. **Former residents** will be charged the standard Non-Resident price.

13. The Cemetery Clerk shall identify all deeds before a burial is made. If the Cemetery Clerk is unable to locate a deed, a copy of the deed shall be provided by the family before the burial takes place. The Welton Cemetery Board and its Clerk shall be the final arbitrator for any disputes with the Cemetery, its excavations, its landscaping or its mason. All questions and comments should be addressed to Welton Cemetery Board, C/O Village of Burton, P.O. Box 408, Burton, Ohio 44021 or the Clerk can be contacted at 440-834-4474 from Monday through Friday.

14. In the case of an indigent burial, the Welton Cemetery Board requires proof that the person or family members of the indigent do not have the funding available. The Welton Cemetery Board requires the deceased to be cremated and the board will cover the open/close cost of such cremation burial. Full burials will not be made available. The burial will be in the lot chosen by the Cemetery Board, and a plaque will be placed at this lot including the name of deceased, date of birth and date of death.

15. The Association shall take reasonable precaution to protect lot owners, and the property rights of lot owners, within the Cemetery, from loss or damage; but it distinctly disclaims all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond its reasonable control,

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and, especially, from the damage by the elements, an act of God, thieves and vandals whether the damage be direct or collateral, other than as herein provided.

These Rules and Regulations are subject to change and amend without further notice.

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