

# HICKS CEMETERY

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

For the ease of mowing and trimming the following must be adhered to:

1. **DECORATIONS**: Two (2) items only, may be placed in the cemetery from MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> of each year and are to be removed by NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> of that year. Items not removed by the lot owners will be removed and disposed of. These items are to be placed to the left or right at the ends of markers only. If no marker, place in line with other markers. Decorations will be permitted for holidays falling outside of these dates, but only for one (1) week prior and one (1) week following the holiday. Veteran flags shall be governed by the Veteran's Administration rules and guidelines.
2. **WINTER DECORATIONS**: Evergreens (wreaths, grave blankets, etc.) may be placed on the graves from NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> until MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> of the next year. Items not removed by lot owners will be removed and disposed of.
3. **NEW GRAVE FLOWERS**: All flowers will be left on the grave for 5 days following funeral services or removed when they are wilted and deteriorating, whichever comes first.
4. **NO LANDSCAPING** to be done on the graves. This includes planting of flowers, trees and shrubs.
5. **FOUNDATIONS**: All markers and monuments must have foundations. All foundations are to be made by the Cemetery Sexton. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
6. **HOURS OF OPERATION**: 7:00AM to Dusk

**HICKS CEMETERY IS NOW OPERATED BY:**

**PENNFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

**20260 CAPITAL AVENUE N.E.**

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Please contact us for any questions or concerns

THANK YOU

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## **PROHIBITED USES AND ACTIVITIES**

1. No person shall destroy, deface, apply graffiti to or otherwise injure any monument, sign, tree or other lawful item located within a Township cemetery.
2. No person shall disturb the peace or unreasonably annoy, harass or disturb any other person who is lawfully present on the grounds of any Township cemetery.
3. No vehicles shall be permitted to drive on lawn or cemetery plots in a cemetery.
4. There shall be no entry or presence in the cemetery by any person when the cemetery is closed or outside of authorized times.
5. There shall be no destruction of cemetery property.
6. There shall be no destruction, defacing, cutting, etc., of any tree or plant within the cemetery.
7. There shall be no headstones, ornaments, vases, plastic flowers, fences, benches, trellises, statues, signs or any other item placed, kept, installed or maintained in a cemetery except those expressly authorized by the Township Ordinance.
8. There shall be no disturbing of the peace or engaging in any loud or boisterous conduct.
9. There shall be no digging, grading or mounding unless expressly authorized by the Township Ordinance.
10. There shall be no driving of an automobile, truck or any vehicle on any portion of a cemetery except the designated roads or drives.
11. There shall be no snowmobiles, four-wheelers, go-carts or similar vehicles.
12. There shall be no gathering of persons in excess of 75 people without prior Township approval (except during or incidental to a funeral occurring concurrent with burial).
13. There shall be no disinterment or grave openings unless approved by the Township.
14. There shall be no possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverage.
15. There shall be no picnicking or consumption of food without prior Township approval.
16. There shall be no music, playing of any radio, or the use of any amplification device or similar items, except pursuant to a military ceremony or a funeral.
17. There shall be no solicitation or peddling of services or goods or any signs or placards advertising any goods or services.
18. There shall be no littering or dumping.
19. There shall be no unlawful interference with or disruption of a lawful funeral or funeral procession.
20. There shall be no private signs, lighting, moving displays or changeable copy on a sign.
21. There shall be no fires, candles or open flames.
22. No children under twelve (12) years of age shall be allowed in any Township cemetery unless accompanied by an adult and are properly supervised by an adult.
23. There shall be no exceeding of posted speed limits.
24. There shall be no domestic animals of any kind or pets allowed within the cemetery grounds. However, this prohibition shall not apply to dogs assisting handicapped persons.
25. No firearms or archery arrows shall be discharged or shot except Military or other Veterans organizations may carry arms for the purpose of firing over the grave at the burial of a member.
26. No person shall engage in any fight, quarrel or disturbance.
27. Cremains or ashes of a deceased person shall not be scattered or dispersed.
28. There shall be no dumping, vandalizing or tipping over of any lawful garbage container or receptacle.
29. No lot or Right of Burial in this cemetery shall be used for any other purpose than the burial of human remains. No lot shall be raised above the normal level.

