Rules of Conduct within Fairview Cemetery

The sexton/director may cause any person violating the restrictions below to be ejected from the cemetery or arrested for being in violation. No person shall:

- (A) Disrespect the solemnity of a cemetery by boisterous or unruly behavior.
- (B) Willfully disfigure, mark, deface injure or tamper with or displace or remove any building memorial monument, tablet, turf, fence, paving, water line or other utility or parts and appurtenances thereof, signs, notices, placards whether temporary or permanent, property boundary markers, stakes, posts, equipment, or facilities (real or persona,, within a cemetery.
- (C) Dig for the purpose of removal from such a cemetery any sand soil rocks, stones, trees, shrubs or plants by any means or methods without the express consent of the sexton or director.
- (D) Willfully damage, cut, carve, transplant or remove any tree or plant or injure the bark of any tree, nor shall any person pick the flowers or seeds of a plant or dig in or otherwise disturb lawn areas or walk upon planted areas which are designated as being prohibited to foot travel.
- (E) Hold picnics or parties in a cemetery.
- (F) Enter the grounds except through the established and designated entrances, loiter near or intrude upon any funeral services, or stand about an open grave unless a member of a funeral party.
- (G) Bear firearms within a cemetery except as may be expressly permitted by the sexton and except law enforcement officers.
- (H) Allow a dog to be in a cemetery except while enclosed in a vehicle.
- (I) Be in the cemetery if under twelve (12) years of age and is not attended by a supervising adult.
- (J) Enter an area posted as "closed to the public or use an area in violation of posted notices.
- (K) Solicit alms or contributions for any purpose whether public or private.
- (L) Be under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs while in the cemetery.
- (M) Ride, lead or allow a horse within a cemetery except as may be expressly permitted by the sexton.
- (N) Expose/offer for sale any article or thing, nor shall he/she station any stand, cart or vehicle for the transportation, sale or display of any such article city grounds adjacent to the cemetery.
- (O) Announce, advertise or call the public attention in any way to any article or service for sale/hire.
- (P) Paste, glue tack, or otherwise post any sign, placard, or advertisement or inscription whatever, nor shall any person erect or cause to be erected any sign whatever in a cemetery or on any public lands or highways adjacent to a cemetery.
- (Q) No bicycles allowed within cemetery grounds.
- (R) Willfully litter or allow materials to be scattered or blown about a cemetery so as to cause litter.
- (S) Photograph/record a committal service except with the permission of the sexton.

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Markers & Monuments

- A) No monument or other memorial may be brought into a cemetery until a sketch or a blueprint showing the design, material, finish, size and inscription thereon is first submitted to the sexton for approval. The sexton and cemetery employees will do installation of cement foundations only. No other person/persons are allowed to construct any foundation bases.

 B) Work persons engaged in the erection of memorials, monuments, markers and vaults of any description should be subject to the control of the sexton. Any work person failing to conform to the directions of the sexton shall not be allowed to continue his/her work.
- C) Notice of the intent to set a monument shall be given at least one day in advance of the work. D) The building of monument foundations shall only be in accordance with the specifications for same as promulgated by the sexton.
- E) The erection or installation of monuments or memorial markers shall not take place on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays, unless special permission is given by the sexton or director.
 F) The lower base of all monuments must be dressed to a true level on the bottom so as to bare evenly at all points upon the foundation without the use of chips, sprawls, or underpinnings. A bed of cement must be spread evenly over the top of a foundation and the base lowered into it.
 G) Upright monuments shall only be allowed in areas of a cemetery designated therefore. No chains/ropes may be attached to trees or other objects for the installation of monuments.
 H) All monument foundations shall be installed clear of graves and shall be constructed to a depth equaling that of a single-depth grave, except where a concrete vault is used and a marker foundation may be constructed at the end of same. Bridging or constructing any foundation for a monument over a grave is prohibited. The provision and installation of all markers and monuments and the bases and foundations therefore shall be at the cost and expense of the aravesite owner.
- I) All monuments installed will be subject to cemetery price list as for cost of each base, installed and special fees approved by cemetery commission.
- J) Upright Monument height & length regulation:

Number of Graves on Plot	Maximum Length (base	Maximum High (ground to
(centered on graves)	maximum)	top of die)
1	2ft 6in (30")	3ft (36")
2	3ft 6in (42")	4ft (48")
3	4ft 0in (48")	4ft (48")
4-6	5ft 0in (60")	4ft (48")

Foundations & Maintenance Fees

All markers (flush) and monuments (upright) installed in the cemetery require a foundation, provided by the cemetery. Foundations are poured by the cemetery twice per year, in the spring and fall (foundation order deadline dates are listed on page 1). Foundations costs are calculated per sq. foot (refer to current price list). Once a foundation is in place a marker/monument can be installed.

Any marker (flush) or monument (upright) installed on a gravesite purchased prior to July, 1 1997 is also subject to a one time Maintenance Fee, (refer to current price list).

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Veterans Lots

(A) WHO MAY BE INTERRED:

- 1) Veterans Memorial Park (Section 18) Any person who served as a member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Army National Guard, or Coast Guard of the United Sates
- 2) Veterans Cremation (Section 18)/Veterans & Spouses (Section 18A) Any person who served as a member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Army National Guard, or Coast Guard of the United Sates or the wife or husband.
- (B) EVIDENCE OF RIGHT
- 1) It is a requisite that the deceased shall have been honorably discharged from the service and shall have been a resident/former resident of New Britain, Connecticut, at the time of death.
- 2) The production of the honorable discharge of a deceased veteran will be sufficient authority to permit interment. In cases where the honorable discharge cannot be produced, sufficient information and guarantee as to eligibility must be produced by a responsible person or relative, which must be followed by material evidence in due time.
- 3) In any case, the nearest kin or other authorized person will fill out and sign such form as will be furnished by the Funeral Director.
- (C) PURCHASE OF SPOUSE GRAVE
- 1) **Section 18** is reserved for **single veteran**, **no spouse**. **Section 18-A and 18 Cremation** is reserved for the **veteran and spouse**.
- 2) Upon the interment of the veteran or wife/husband of the veteran, the adjoining gravesite will be purchased for the surviving spouse or veteran.
- (D) FEES
- 1) VETERANS No charge for the grave space but applicable interment fees will be charged.
- 2) SPOUSES Applicable grave fees and interment fees will be charges (see courant price list).
- (E) HEAD STONE/FLUSH MARKER

The standard head stone furnished by the United States Veterans Administration will be used for Veterans. The head stone of the spouse will be of the same size, letter, style, color, and finish.

(F) ORNAMENTATION

- 1) The distribution of articles such as markers, vases, glass jars, concrete urns, statues, lights, and bric-a-brac of any description or other ornamentation is not in harmony with a military cemetery and is not permitted. Forbidden and will be removed without notice.
- 2) Plantings (trees, shrubs, flowers) and cutting of the turf is not allowed under any condition.
- 3) Potted plants are so long as they are in blossom. Only clay or plastic pots not exceeding 10" in diameter and not more than 6" high as well as baskets with handles not to exceed 12" in diameter are allowed. Metal, fiber glass, and wooden boxes or tubs are permitted. Only one pot or one rustic basket will be allowed per grave. All other containers will be removed without notice.
- 4) Artificial decorations are not permitted during the growing season (5/1 10/15). Winter decorations (grave blankets, pine boughs, wreaths, etc.) are only permitted between Thanksgiving and March 1st staking of such decorations is hazardous and not permitted.

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Interments

- (A) No body except that of a human being may be interred in Fairview Cemetery.
- (B) All graves shall be opened and closed under the supervision of the sexton.
- (C) No interment or disinterment shall be allowed without the consent of the sexton. Interments or disinterment shall be made only by city personnel unless the sexton shall authorize otherwise
- (D) All funeral processions shall be under the control of the sexton upon entering any cemetery
- (E) Notice of at least twenty-four (24) hours is required by the sexton in advance of any desired grave opening, except for circumstances dictated by religious tenants or extraordinary circumstances.
- (F) No grave shall be opened or interment or disinterment made on a legal holiday unless required for public health reasons or ordered by the sexton.
- (G) **All funeral participants must leave the Cemetery by 3:15 p.m.** during the weekday or there will be an overtime charge of **\$225/hour** until the funeral concludes.
- (H) All interment/lot fees due to the cemetery shall be paid on or before the day of burial
- (I) All interment locations shall be designated by the lot owner, legal representative or funeral director. Locations given over the telephone should be confirmed in writing prior to interment; otherwise location will be made at lot owner's risk. The city assumes no responsibility for errors in location. When instructions regarding location of an interment space in a lot cannot be obtained, or are indefinite, or when for any reason the interment space cannot be opened where specified, the sexton may, at his discretion, open it in such location in the lot as he deems best and proper, so as not to delay the funeral, and the city shall not be liable in damages for any change so made.
- (J) Assignment of grave spaces by plot owner will only be valid when recorded in cemetery records.
- (K) The city reserves the right to correct any errors that may be made by it in making interments, disinterment or removals. In the event such error involves the interment of the remains, the city reserves the right to remove or transfer remains so interred to such other property of equal value and similar location. In the event of an error in the description, transfer or conveyance of any interment property, the city reserves the right to cancel such conveyance or substitute interment property of equal value and similar location so far as practicable, or selected by the city.
- (L) Agreement to make a disinterment must be signed by the next of kin of the decedent. When such agreement is filed with the city, and the cost of removal is paid, a permit must then be presented to the sexton, at which time arrangements may be completed for the removal. Disinterment fees include opening of the grave only. An agreement to disinterment and re-interment will follow the procedure described above. The payment for disinterment and re-interment include opening and closing of graves. A representative of the family must be present at such time of removal.
- (M) The city will exercise care in disinterments, but assumes no liability for damage to any casket or vault in the removal unless the disinterment was necessitated by an error made by the city.
- (N) Each grave shall have a concrete vault approved by the sexton and installed accordance with his/her direction. The provision and installation of vaults shall be the cost of gravesite owner.

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Gravesites

- (A) **No burial shall be allowed unless the grave to be used is paid in full** prior to or at the time of interment. Gravesites must be paid in full before any monument/markers are placed. Gravesites will be reserved for a prospective purchaser for a period no longer than ten (10) days. Deeds shall be subject to the terms of this chapter and other rules/regulations as adopted. Deed shall grant to the purchaser only the right to use the gravesite for burial purposes for himself/herself, family, heirs and friends without profit, gain, or re advantage to the purchaser/owner of the lot.
- (B) **Gravesites sold shall be furnished perpetual care**, which includes mowing/trimming of grass, and grading of sunken graves. Gravesite prices reflect the assumption of perpetual care expenses. Perpetual care shall not include maintenance, repair, and replacement of monuments/markers.
- (C) **Deeds issued for gravesites shall convey only the right of burial therein**. It shall be the duty of the sexton to prohibit/remove/modify any or adornment/work done in violation of the rules and regulations. The City of New Britain shall reserve the right to develop and improve the cemetery.
- (D) **No fence**, hedge, railing or coping shall be allowed to enclose a gravesite.
- (F) **All sales are final, there are NO REFUNDS.** The cemetery dose not buy back gravesites. Private sale by purchaser/owner/heir is allowed. Notify the cemetery of any ownership changes.

Traffic and Parking within Fairview Cemetery

No person while in a cemetery shall:

- (A) Fail to comply with all applicable provisions of the state motor vehicle traffic laws in regard to equipment and operation of vehicles.
- (B) Fail to obey all police officers and cemetery employees when such persons are duly authorized to direct traffic in a cemetery and on the highway, streets or roads immediately adjacent thereto.
- (C) Fail to obey all traffic signs indicating speed, direction, caution, stopping or parking.
- (D) Operate a vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour.
- (E) Drive any vehicle on any area except established roads and parking areas.
- (F) Park a vehicle in other than a designated parking area, such use shall be in accordance with the posted directions with the instructions of any authorized attendant who may be present.
- (G) Leave a vehicle standing or parked anywhere in a cemetery after the official closing time.
- (H) Double-park any vehicle on any roadway or driveway unless directed to do so by a cemetery attendant, nor shall any person otherwise park any vehicle so as to block any roadway.
- (I) Operate a vehicle, which causes excessive noise due to a defective muffler or other equipment.
- (J) Operate snowmobiles. Mini-bikes, trail bikes, or other all-terrain recreational vehicles.
- (K) Willfully drive his/her vehicle or the wheels thereof on any lawns or gardens or borders thereof. Any damage inadvertently caused by the operation of vehicles shall be the responsibility of the vehicle operator to repair or be responsible for the cost of repair.
- (L) Drive a vehicle so as to impede a funeral procession. The driver of any vehicle, upon meeting a funeral procession, shall clear the vehicle from the path of said procession and come to a standstill until said procession passes.

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Fairview Cemetery Rules for Plantings & Decorations

The Fairview Cemetery Commission has adopted the following set of rules concerning plantings and decorations. The need for the strict observance and enforcement is more than aesthetic, it is essential to the proper and safe maintenance of cemetery grounds. Plantings and decorations not in compliance with these rules are subject to immediate removal without notification. Thank you for your cooperation.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

To preserve the aesthetic beauty of the cemetery and ensure the safety of maintenance staff, the following items are prohibited from all graves at all times. They are subject to immediate removal and disposal without notification. The list of prohibited items includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- **Balloons**
- Bric-a-brac
- Chimes
- **Fencing**
- **Fertilizer**
- **Figurines**

- **Garden Decorations**
- Glass products Lights
- Mulch
- **Pinwheels**
- Votive candles

CEMETERY CLEANUPS

Cemetery cleanups will occur on or after the following dates. Please be aware that items left on graves will be subject to removal and disposal without notification.

April 1st

In preparation for the growing season all artificial decorations will be removed. In the event that Easter Sunday occurs before April 1st this cleanup will be delayed, beginning on or after the second

May 10th

In preparation for Memorial Day all decorations placed after the April cleanup, will be removed.

October 1st

In preparation for leaf removal, all decorations, potted plants and flower boxes will be removed. Additionally, any items placed on graves between October 1st and December 1st will be removed.

WHAT IS ALLOWED ON FLUSH MARKER GRAVES?			
What is allowed?	When is it allowed?	When will it be removed?	
ARTIFICIAL DECORATIONS: Artificial Flowers Wreaths Evergreens placed in flower boxes Easter Decorations Please confine to the 1' area directly in front of the marker.	December 1st through April 1st Artificial Decorations are not permitted during the growing season, April 1st through October 1st. No decorations of any kind are allowed during leaf collection, November 1st to November 30th.	On or after April 1st In the event that Easter Sunday occurs on or before April 1st cemetery cleanup will be postponed, starting on or after the second Monday in April.	
PLANTINGS: Plantings of all kinds are prohibited on flush marker graves.	Not allowed on flush marker graves	Subject to immediate removal	
CUT FLOWERS: Cut flowers are permitted if they are placed in a plastic outdoor cemetery vase with spike.	April 1st through November 1st	On or after November 1st Cemetery vases left after November 1st will be removed and disposed of.	
POTTED PLANTS & FLOWER BOXES:	April 1st through November 1st December 1st through April 1st	Subject to removal during scheduled cleanups or when they become dried out.	

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WHAT IS ALLOWED ON <u>UPRIGHT MONUMENT GRAVES</u> ?			
What is allowed?	When is it allowed?	When will it be removed?	
ARTIFICIAL DECORATIONS: Artificial Flowers Wreaths Evergreens placed in flower boxes Easter Decorations Please confine to the 1' area directly in front of the monument.	December 1st through April 1st Artificial Decorations are not permitted during the growing season, April 1st through October 1st. No decorations of any kind are permitted during leaf collection, November 1st through November 30th.	On or after April 1st In the event that Easter Sunday occurs on or before April 1st cemetery cleanup will be postponed, starting on or after the second Monday in April.	
PLANTINGS: The planting of flowers (annuals and perennials) is allowed during the growing season. The planting of shrubs, and trees is prohibited. Please confine plantings to the 1' area directly in front of the monument. Mulch, fertilizer and fencing is prohibited.	April 1st through November 1st	On or after November 1st Plantings must be maintained by the lot owner, if plantings become overgrown with weeds they will be subject to removal without notification.	
CUT FLOWERS: Cut flowers are permitted if they are placed in a plastic outdoor cemetery vase with spike.	April 1st through November 1st	On or after November 1 st Cemetery vases left after November 1 st will be removed and disposed of.	
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FLAGS

One flag per grave is permitted. Flags will be removed and disposed of when they become tattered or faded. The cemetery will place an American Flag on the grave of veterans buried in designated veterans sections for the two week period surrounding Memorial Day.

TEMPORARY GRAVE MARKERS

Temporary markers are supplied by the funeral home upon request of the family. They are not designed for long term use and may not withstand the elements. It is sometimes necessary to remove them in order to care for the grounds. We are not responsible for lost or damaged markers.