## WHITINGHAM CEMETERY COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. The operation and maintenance of the Town's cemeteries will not be conducted for the purpose of private gain either directly or indirectly.
- 2. The Town shall have the right to acquire by gift or otherwise, land and property of every name and nature and to set aside surplus funds to be held in trust as a perpetual care fund.
- 3. Any one of the members of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners may execute a deed for the conveyance of a gravesite. The deed will be recorded in the office of the Whitingham Town Clerk in a special book for the Town's cemetery lots. For the purposes of this paragraph, lot shall mean a "grave site".
- 4. The sale price for each gravesite in the Town of Whitingham cemeteries shall be \$200 per gravesite to residents. A gravesite shall consist of one full size burial or four cremation urns or containers of human remains placed in a straight row behind a headstone.
- 5. The sale price for each gravesite in the Town of Whitingham cemeteries shall be \$400 per gravesite to non-residents. A gravesite shall consist of one full size burial or four cremation urns or containers of human remains placed in a straight row behind a headstone.
- 6. The transfer of one gravesite location to a different gravesite location in any of the Town of Whitingham cemeteries will be a cost of \$100 per gravesite transfer for Town of Whitingham residents and a cost of \$200 per gravesite transfer for Town of Whitingham non-residents.
- 7. A request to purchase three (3) or more gravesites shall require the written approval of the Cemetery Commissioners.
- 8. Any re-sale of a gravesite shall not be for more than the original purchase price.
- 9. The sale of each gravesite shall be for cash, check, cashier's or certified check which, when paid, shall be paid into the Town of Whitingham Treasury and kept separate from other funds of the town of Whitingham. The proceeds with the income from the funds shall be subject to the order of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners and shall be devoted only to maintaining, improving, and embellishing the Town's burial grounds.
- 10. A grave site, section, subdivision, crypt, niche, or any part of the cemetery shall not be sold, contracted for sale or offered for sale, until and unless a plot shall be made and recorded.
- 11. Fees are as follows and are required to be paid prior to interment in any cemetery under the jurisdiction of the Town of Whitingham. The fees shall be paid to Town of Whitingham.
  - A. A \$5.00 recording and processing fee
  - B. \$30.00 gravesite marking fee
  - C. An additional \$50.00 will be charged if assistance with cremation is requested, preparing the site for containment and clean up after the burial.

- 12. In May of each year, the Whitingham Cemetery Commissioners shall hold an annual meeting and at such meeting, a chairperson and a Secretary shall be chosen. At said meeting, the business of the repair and maintenance and other related matters of the town's cemeteries shall be conducted.
- 13. These rules and regulations may be amended by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Whitingham Cemetery Commissioners at any regularly called meeting of the commissioners.
- 14. Winter burials will only be performed at the discretion of the Cemetery Commissioners according to weather and snow conditions.
- 15. Trees, shrubbery and vines shall be allowed subject to the following conditions:
  - A. Not to exceed 36" in height.
  - B. Not to exceed 24"in width.
  - C. All trees, shrubbery, vines, flowers, etc. shall be kept in line with the headstones
  - D. All flowers, artificial or natural, will be contained in a holder, potted, planted, or in a vase as a unit. No glass containers are permitted.
  - E. All flowers that are in bad shape or gone by will be discarded.
  - F. If the foregoing is not complied with, the Whitingham Cemetery Commissioner may remove said trees, shrubbery, flowers or vines and plants.
- 16. Miscellaneous small ornaments or objects shall be allowed subject to the following conditions:
  - A. Not to exceed 36" in height.
  - B. Not to exceed 24" in width.
  - C. Military grave markers are exempt
  - D. Plant hanging rods not to exceed 60" in height with one (1) potted plant and rod per lot
- 17. All cemetery monument foundations shall be constructed according the "Specifications for Town of Whitingham Monument Foundations" included as Attachment A to These rules as adopted by the Whitingham Cemetery Commissioners.

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Adopted November 9, 2001 and revised July 19, 2017

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## ATTACHMENT A

## SPECIFICATIONS FOR TOWN OF WHITINGHAM CEMETERY MONUMENT FOUNDATIONS

- 1. No excavation for a cemetery foundation installation or removal shall be commenced without the permission of the Cemetery Commissioners. A recording and processing fee as required by the Cemetery Rules shall be paid prior to any excavation.
- 2. Foundations for cemetery monuments shall be no less than 3 feet in depth and shall be formed by wood or steel so as to be of the same dimensions as the monument to be placed thereon. The top of cemetery monument foundations shall not be above sod level.
- 3. Measurements to determine depth and sod levels on sloping lots shall be taken from the lateral center of the top of the cemetery monument foundation.
- 4. Excavations and forms for cemetery monument foundations shall be inspected and approved by a member of the Cemetery Commission after the form is set and prior to the pouring of concrete.
- 5. All debris shall be cleaned up and removed. Loam and seed shall be applied where needed and the site left in a neat, clean, and orderly fashion.

Dated: December 20, 2006

Whitingham Cemetery Commissioners

Adopted: November 9, 2001 and revised December 20, 2006

Attested: Town Clerk

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