

# GENERAL PROVISIONS

This leaflet tells what is permitted and what is not permitted in grave decorations.

Decorations are removed by cemetery staff for the following reasons:

1. They fail to conform to size and/or material limitations stated herein.
2. They become unsightly or withered. We have no desire to displease you and will leave decorations on for as long as we can.
3. When there are several arrangements placed on a grave at one time, quality, not quantity, makes beauty. If there are many persons to place decorations, please coordinate efforts to not over decorate a grave.

Please observe the following rules:

1. Please park on the roads, not on the grass.
2. Please use supplied trashcans throughout the cemetery.
3. Please do not dig into the turf.

**ALL PROVISIONS AND REGULATIONS ARE  
SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND BECOME IMMEDIATELY  
EFFECTIVE FOR ALL GRAVESITES.**

PLEASE REPORT ANY UNSIGHTLY CONDITION TO THE  
RECTORY – Phone 856-825-0021  
HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

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## REGULATIONS FOR HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

Please be advised that the regulations are designed to improve the general appearance of the cemeteries, for the benefit of all users and to facilitate maintenance. These regulations will be closely observed.

The Cemetery Management has tried to establish the fairest set of regulations for all necessities and enforce them fairly and uniformly on all plot holders. The best practices of the Catholic Cemeteries in the Diocese of Camden are used as a basis for these guidelines.

These regulations look beyond the present and establish standards of maintenance now which will provide for future care when none of your family are left to care for your place of burial

The regulations exist more to protect the conscientious plot holder than to hinder them. If there were no regulations, both you and the cemetery would find good efforts useless.

Your patience, understanding and cooperation are anticipated and will be sincerely appreciated.

## REGULATIONS

- Natural cut flowers are permitted in cemetery approved ground level plain pin type vases all year round.
- Artificial flowers are permitted in cemetery approved ground level pin typed vases between October 26<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Potted plants are permitted only on Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day and Memorial Day. The potted plants may be placed one week prior to the designated day and will be allowed to remain one week after the holiday. DO NOT DIG OR PLANT POTTED PLANTS.
- Cemetery personnel will remove flowers/plants when they become unsightly.
- HOLIDAY FLOWERS – ALL SOULS DAY (November 2<sup>nd</sup>) – Starting October 26<sup>th</sup>, wreaths, on stands or easels are permitted. These items will remain on the gravesites for the entire month of November. CHRISTMAS – Blankets, evergreen wreaths, on easels stands and logs may be placed on the grave from December 15<sup>th</sup> to February 2<sup>nd</sup>. No live or artificial trees or lawn ornaments are permitted. PALM SUNDAY – Palm arrangements on stands or easels are permitted one week prior to Palm Sunday. These items will be removed during the Easter clean up. EASTER – Blankets, wreaths on stands or easels, as well as potted plants, are permitted during Easter. They will be removed when they become unsightly or by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Markers – In the new section of the cemetery – only 3ft. slant markers may be installed. The base will be 10 inches and the height 1 inch. The width will depend upon whether the tombstone will cover 1, 2, or 3 graves.
- Grave etchings which are not traditional Christian symbolism in nature and embedded audio/visual electronic devices in gravestones are prohibited. Prior to any stone

being placed in the cemetery, approval must be provided by the cemetery administrator.

- Flags and VA Medallions – Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day and Veteran's Days: Flags and flag holders are permitted. Cemetery Staff will remove the flags one week after each holiday. This is in the spirit of military protocol, which is only 24 hours.
- PROHIBITED ITEMS – Vigil and Solar Lights are prohibited as are miscellaneous containers such as jars, cans, etc. Foreign materials such as crushed stones, wood chips, mulch and shells are prohibited. Hanging items such as rosary beads and wind chimes are not permitted. The taping of cards, letters, pictures and other items are not allowed. No planting or digging is permitted. At no time are food/beverages permitted to be left at a grave site. Anchors, wires, balloons, statues, photos and novelties are prohibited and will be removed and discarded. Garden flags, pumpkins and/or gourds are prohibited.
- New burials are exempt from the graveside decoration rules stated above for one month. Any flowers that become unsightly during that time will be removed by cemetery staff.

The Federal OSHA Act is specific regarding adequate protection of workers and visitors. For these reasons, these regulations will be enforced.

**NOTE: Purchasing a plot at Holy Cross Cemetery does not imply ownership of that land. What is purchased is a Burial Privilege in the cemetery. Holy Cross Cemetery continues to be the sole proprietor of all grounds within cemetery boundaries. No gravesites are exempt from the General Provisions and Regulations.**