

Oakdale Cemetery Association  
Sanford, Maine 04073

**Rules and Regulations**

**General Rules:** The Cemetery is open from 8:00 a.m. to sunset each day. Oakdale Cemetery will open in April and close the end of November. Open and close dates may alter slightly based on weather

**Minors:** Children under 18 years of age are not permitted within the Cemetery, unless accompanied by an adult.

**Internment:** Thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of the internment service by the clergy, the casket will be lowered under the supervision of the Superintendent or his designee.

Due to insurance liability of the City of Sanford, no one other than City of Sanford Cemetery employees are allowed to fill in graves after an internment.

**THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Debris:** Help keep Sanford clean - please carry out what you carry in. No debris will be allowed on the ground or flat, ground level stones, except where it is stated within this document (Memorial Day).

**Cemetery Restrictions: Not Allowed on the premises:**

No dogs (except service dogs), horses, ATV's, dirt bikes, or any other such equipment.

No loitering, camping, hunting, swimming or boating.

No smoking or alcohol.

No firearms (except public law enforcement officials and/or Military escort), weapons, bow and arrows, air rifles, sling shots, or throwing of rocks and/or pellets.

**POLICE TAKE NOTICE**

**Flags:** Individual flags will be permitted year-round on the monument base only, but will be removed by the Cemetery if they are allowed to fade and become unsightly. All flags will be *removed* before the closing of the Cemetery for the winter season.

**Floral Displays, Vases & Urns:**

Floral displays will be permitted for the weekend prior to and one week following the Maine Memorial Day. At the time of interment, floral arrangements will be permitted for a period of three (3) days. No glass jars, unsightly metal receptacle, or breakable flower containers shall be allowed. True floral containers, recessed permanent bouquet holders and rustic baskets are recommended. Small flower containers on the monument base are allowed.

The Cemetery shall have the right to remove all floral designs and flowers from the Cemetery as soon as, in its judgment, they become unsightly or when they do not conform to the standards maintained in said Cemetery. No plantings, wires, nails or pegs are allowed.

The Cemetery shall not be responsible for floral pieces, baskets, or frames in which or to which floral pieces are placed or attached, beyond their acceptance for service held in the Cemetery, and shall not be responsible for frozen plants or for flowers damaged by the elements, thieves, vandals, or by other causes beyond its control. The Cemetery reserves the right to prevent removal of any flowers or floral designs without prior approval.

**Cooperation:**

The Cemetery superintendent will help you with any questions or concerns you may have. Cooperation by lot owners and the general public will permit better maintenance and an opportunity to improve the appearance of the Cemetery.

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