



# CARING FOR GOD'S ACRE

*under the supervision of*

**The Catholic Cemeteries Association  
of The Archdiocese of Hartford, Inc.**

Knowing of our mutual desire to have a well-kept cemetery, the Association is listing in this leaflet, some of the applicable **SUMMER** regulations. Cemeteries, like homes and neighborhoods, can be beautiful and attractive, or cluttered and untidy. This appearance depends in part on the cemetery regulations. **Only by your cooperation and adherence to these rules and by our strict enforcement can we attain our common goal.** What is attractive to one may be offensive to another. Please do not ask for exceptions. **The cemetery has established fair and reasonable rules and regulations. They exist to protect the conscientious lot owner.** They are essential for the cemetery to be attractive and well maintained without placing an unfair financial burden on our families. **Rules and regulations are subject to change.** Any conflict between rules and regulations previously adopted shall be resolved in favor of current rules and regulations. We ask you not to over decorate, both for aesthetic reasons, and to help keep maintenance and disposal costs within bounds. It is not necessary that graves be decorated at all times. Thousands of people visit the cemetery yearly; hundreds daily. It is, therefore, very difficult to control the activity of every visitor. We regret we cannot guarantee decorations from damage or disappearance.

## EXCERPTS FROM SUMMER REGULATIONS

1. **ARTIFICIAL DECORATIONS** Are not permitted between April 15 and November 20.
2. **PLACEMENT OF DECORATIONS:**  
**FLUSH MARKER LOTS** Planting of flowers is **prohibited**. Natural cut flowers are permitted at other times when placed in vases that are available at the cemetery office without charge. These vases are to be used to commemorate special occasions such as: anniversaries, birthdays, etc. They are not intended for continual use. Vases are strictly for cut flowers and **NOT** for potted plants. **Only one vase is allowed on a grave. Additional containers will be removed.**
3. **POTTED PLANTS** and flower boxes on both monument and non-monument lots are allowed only during the ten (10) day period following Palm and Easter Sunday, Mothers and Fathers Day and Memorial Day. **Potted plants dug into the soil or placed in cemetery cut flower vases will be immediately removed.**
4. **UPRIGHT MONUMENT LOTS:** When burials are in front of the upright monument, **the planting of annual/perennial flowers is permitted only in the 1 ft. area directly in front of the monument.** When ownership is both in the front and rear of the monument, the planting of annual/perennial flowers is permitted on both sides. **Plantings on the side of the monument are not allowed.** Plantings must be kept 6" below the height of the monument. Plantings require weekly maintenance by the lot owner. If plantings become overgrown, they will be removed.
5. **BENCHES:** The planting of annual/perennial plants is **only** permitted when a bench is placed in lieu of an upright monument and follow the same planting guidelines as an upright monument. **No plantings are permitted when a bench is not located within a monument row. Planting of shrubbery i.e., rose, hydrangea, etc.: is not permitted.**
6. **Flush markers:** The installation of cameo portraits on flush markers is not permitted.
7. **NEW SHRUBBERY is not permitted** on individual lots. Existing shrubs will be removed by the cemetery at such time as they grow taller than 6" below the height of the monument.
8. **PROHIBITED:** Concrete products, metal urns and articles such as glass jars, plastic items (with the exception of cemetery issued vases for cut flowers), any type of light, name plates, balloons, chimes, pumpkins, figurines, borders, and bric-a-brac of any description are not allowed.
9. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR DRIVE ON THE GRASS.**
10. **MAUSOLEUMS AND GARDEN CRYPTS no decoration of any type** (including any type of lights or flowers) may be placed on any crypt or crypt area. Anyone found in violation may be held responsible for all costs incurred in either the removal of or damage caused by the placement of these illegal decorations.
11. Only cloth American Flags on wooden dowels are allowed, and will be removed according to Flag Laws.
12. Visitors are required to leash and clean up after their pets.
13. **PLEASE USE** rubbish containers throughout the cemetery.

**MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT 10 MILES PER HOUR.**