

**WILMINGTON CEMETERY
MARKER / HEADSTONE***

MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, CLEANING GUIDELINES

PURPOSE: The purpose of these guidelines is to provide a dignified and respectful means for recognizing the memories of a decedent in a peaceful, tranquil, and aesthetically pleasing environment open to members of the general public who possess varying degrees of social sensitivities, cultural customs and religious beliefs.

POLICY: These guidelines intend to protect public, and the cemetery workers employees and staff safety through the imposition of certain requirements and specifications for markers that are intended to minimize the risk of physical harm.

MARKERS: For the purpose of this policy, Memorial markers refer to grave markers, including cremation niche name plates and cremation name tags.

1. The Wilmington Cemetery is not responsible for maintaining or repairing memorial markers. The responsibility for maintenance and repairs rest solely with the record owner or the record owner's designee. All maintenance and repairs performed on memorial markers shall be at the record owner's expense. The Wilmington Cemetery does not provide any supplies, equipment, electricity, fuel, power source or water for the maintenance or repairs of memorial markers.
2. The Wilmington Cemetery is not responsible for removing damaged memorial markers. The responsibility for removing a damaged memorial marker rest solely with the owner or the owner's designee. The removal of a damaged memorial marker shall be at the owner's expense. The Wilmington Cemetery does not provide any supplies, equipment, electricity, fuel, power source or water for the removal of damaged memorial markers.
3. The record owner shall be responsible for the cost of replacing memorial markers. The installation of a replacement memorial marker however will be done by the Wilmington Cemetery at the record owner's cost.
4. The record owner shall be responsible for the cost of relocating memorial markers. The installation of a relocated memorial marker however will be done by the Wilmington Cemetery at the record owner's cost.
5. The record owner of a memorial marker shall be liable to pay all damages resulting from the negligent or reckless maintenance or repair of a memorial marker or the negligent, reckless or unauthorized placement, installation or removal by the record owner or record owner's employees, agents, family members, acquaintances or contractors or anyone directed by the record owner. Such damages may include but not be limited to personal injuries and property damage proximately caused by the negligent or reckless maintenance or repair of a memorial marker or the negligent, reckless or unauthorized placement, installation or removal by the record owner or record owner's employees, agents, family members, acquaintances or contractors or anyone directed by the record owner.

EXEMPTIONS: Any deviation from the memorial marker maintenance, repair, cleaning guidelines are not allowed, unless pre-approved (in writing) by the President or the Board of Trustees.

* **Headstones** were only approved to those grandfathered in from previous past guidelines. Markers are only allowed now and currently at the Wilmington Cemetery

Guidelines are subjected to change with approve by the Board of Trustees