

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP  
CEMETERY RULES  
April 30, 2017

The following cemetery rules originally adopted April 20, 1971, which apply to decorations, were reinstated following a motion approved at the Schoolcraft Township regular board meeting held April 11, 2017. The motion also included the right of the Township to change the rules without notice.

**TREES, SHRUBS AND PLANTINGS**

No tree or shrub shall be set or planted on any lot or grave without first obtaining the consent and approval of the Schoolcraft Township Clerk. Any planting done by other than Schoolcraft Township not set in harmony with these rules will be removed.

The sod or seeding on any lot or grave shall not be dug up, removed or disturbed in a space not to exceed twelve (12) inches by twenty-four (24) inches in lieu of a marker. Plants and flowers may be set in a space twelve (12) inches wide next to, in front of, and along the length of the monument. Receptacles for cut flowers or potted plants will be permitted in lieu of set plants, but must be placed in conformity with the above described area rules. No rose bushes are to be planted in the cemetery.

Summer grave decorations are permitted from May 1 through September 30. Winter grave decorations are permitted from November 1 through March 1 of the following year. The use of plastics and poly-resin decorations is prohibited. No structures shall be permitted.

The Township or cemetery sexton shall have the right to remove and dispose of any and all growth, emblems, displays or containers which have become unsightly, a source of litter, or a maintenance problem.

Do not leave valuables on the graves. Schoolcraft Township cannot be responsible for items missing or stolen.

**MARKERS**

The owner is responsible for any expenses incurred in the repair of a marker or monument. Existing handmade markers could be removed by the decision and discretion of the Township.

No person other than a cemetery employee shall open any grave site. Pets are not allowed in any of the Schoolcraft Township Cemeteries.

The above policies are necessary to maintain the general appearance and beauty of the cemeteries for Schoolcraft Township residents.

BY: SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD