



# The City of Wickliffe

28730 Ridge Road  
Wickliffe, Ohio 44092-2598

## Wickliffe Cemetery Regulations for Graves & Niches

Effective August 2015

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Wickliffe Cemetery is located at 28855 Euclid Avenue.

*Please help us preserve the beauty of our Cemetery by respecting the following:*

### **Regulations for Gravesites**

1. Safety and moderation are the norm. Fresh cut flowers, potted plants, baskets, and urns of flowers are permitted year-round but the right is reserved to remove them if they become unsightly.
2. Artificial floral tributes may only be placed in self-draining vases. Stands or metal legs used to elevate floral tributes are not permitted. Items attached to wood or metal stakes are hazardous to visitors and workers; such items will be removed as they are discovered. The wire used in artificial flower stems is a hazard to power mowers and operators. The only exception to this is flags placed during permitted times (Veterans Day, Memorial Day, etc.); shaft-type veteran and fraternal emblems are not permitted.
3. During grass growing season, decorations such as glass containers, vases, balloons, candles, wreaths, statues, etc. are not permitted. Glass is easily broken in the cemetery and becomes a hazard; glass items are removed as soon as they are discovered. No glass blocks shall be used at any time of the year.
4. Planting of bushes, shrubs, trees or flowers is prohibited.
5. Holidays: Christmas decorations shall be removed by March 15 of each year. All other holiday decorations (Easter, Passover, Memorial Day, etc.) shall be removed within two weeks following the holiday.
6. Wind and Theft: Decorations may also be removed by either of these causes. As it is impossible for employees to be everywhere at all times, the cemetery cannot assume liability for decorations. When items are blown about, the grounds crew has no choice but to dispose of them, as replacement at specific sites is not possible.
7. The City shall not be responsible for lost, misplaced, or broken flower vases. The City shall not be responsible for any wreath, spray, floral decorations, plants, or decorations of any kind damaged by the elements, thieves, vandals, or by other causes beyond its control. The city reserves the right to regulate the method of decorating lots so that a uniform beauty may be maintained.

## **Regulations for Columbarium Niches**

1. Flowers or decorations may be placed at the base of the columbarium for a period of one month following the inurnment. If you wish to keep them, please remove them before the month is over or the City will have them removed.
2. Self-draining bud vases with real or artificial flowers may be temporarily attached on the niche using suction cups only. These are permitted for one month following the inurnment. They may also be placed on special dates such as anniversary of death, birthdate, etc. If you wish to keep them please remove them before the month is over.
3. Under no circumstances may any items be secured permanently to any part of the columbarium or niche. Do not attempt to put plastic or live flowers in the joints between the niche faces, as this may damage the stone.
4. No symbols shall be applied to the niche. Designated symbols (military or those specified by the Cemetery Board) may be engraved on the niches at an additional cost.
5. Holidays: Appropriate Christmas decorations (either artificial or natural) placed at the base are allowed from December 1st to March 15th. All other holiday decorations (Easter, Passover, Memorial Day, etc.) shall be removed within two weeks following the holiday.

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