



**NEHALEM AMERICAN LEGION CEMETERY
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Amended March 13, 2023

1. The City of Nehalem may, from time to time, make such additional rules and regulations or revisions, for the governance, improvement and embellishment of the grounds, as they may deem requisite and proper to secure and promote the general interest of the Cemetery.
2. All maps, plats, block books, interment records, surveys, etc., will be kept at the Nehalem City Hall.
3. Visitors are reminded that these grounds are devoted to the interment of the dead and that a strict observance of proper decorum will be required of all. All visitors are expected to respect the solemnity of the place and strictly observe the rules, which have been established by the city for the purpose of securing quiet and good order at all times within the grounds.
4. No interments will be allowed without proper authorizations and notice must be given to the City of Nehalem prior to interment to allow maintenance of proper burial records for the Cemetery.
5. All interments, including cremains must be performed by a licensed funeral home. Outer burial containers (vault or liner) are required for casketed remains. At the time of burial, the funeral home must provide the city with a Final Disposition Authorization or Interment Authorization.
6. Each plot may contain up to 4 cremains only, or one casketed remains, plus one cremains.
7. Disbursement or scattering of cremains is prohibited.
8. No disinterment shall be permitted, except in accordance with the law.
9. For cemetery plots prices, permits and related services, please see the current list of cemetery fees.
10. Lots are conveyed by deed for burial purposes only; all lots are sold subject to free right-of-way for all such water and drainage pipes as may be located in any lot, walk or avenue.
11. No plot can be sold, transferred, or assigned by the owner except with a written notice to the City of Nehalem and payment of a transfer of ownership fee. The original deed must be surrendered before a new deed is issued. Upon the death of the plot owner, unless the owner has disposed of the plot either by specific direction in a will, or by a written declaration of reservation, filed in the office of the City Manager, if no interment has

been made in a plot, the plot descends to the heirs of the owner, subject to the rights of the surviving spouse.

12. Markers and monuments may not be placed without a City of Nehalem permit and associated fee. Size and materials are subject to approval.
13. Monument firms will be held responsible for any damage done by them to other monuments, grass, trees, or other objects whatsoever in the Cemetery.
14. Grading and digging in the Cemetery by other than licensed funeral homes, employees and contractors of the City of Nehalem is forbidden.
15. All information as to boundary lines, dimensions of lots, location of graves, etc., must be obtained from the City of Nehalem and marking fee paid before beginning work on any lot.
16. The Nehalem Public Works Department, under the direction of the City Manager, has charge of the Cemetery grounds and is authorized to enforce all rules and regulations adopted by the City of Nehalem.
17. Curbing around plots may be allowed with an approved permit and payment of associated fee. Curbing may not exceed 6" in width and 6" in height, measured along the grade. Permitted materials include concrete, granite, or stone. Plastic or wood fencing and borders are not permitted. Curbing may be "backfilled" with stones or plantings, subject to pre-approval by the City of Nehalem.
18. Funeral designs, fresh flowers, artificial flowers, or potted plants may be placed on graves at any time and will be removed when they become unsightly or at the discretion of Nehalem Public Works.
19. Glass vases, containers, or objects of any kind are prohibited.
20. The city reserves the right to regulate all plot decorations and remove any item which the city may consider injurious to the general appearance of the grounds without notice to the plot holder. If boxes, shells, toys, metal designs, ornaments, chairs, settees, vases, glass, wood, or iron cases, and similar articles are placed upon lots, the city reserves the right to remove the same. In no case will responsibility be assumed for articles which may be placed upon the lots.
21. The planting of trees on lots will not be permitted. The planting of shrubs, plants or flowers within plots may be permitted with pre-approval by the City of Nehalem. The planting of trees, shrubs, and flowers for landscaping effects outside of lots will be under the charge and supervision of Nehalem Public Works Department. All shrubs, plants, flowers, or trees in the Cemetery may be pruned or removed at the discretion of the City of Nehalem.
22. Vehicles are permitted only on roads. The speed limit is 5 miles per hour. Leashed dogs (leash in hand) are permitted on roads only, and pet owners must pick up feces deposited by pets. Alcohol is prohibited on Cemetery property. Anyone violating these rules and regulations may be ejected from the grounds. Failure to leave upon request may result in criminal trespassing charges. All persons shall be held liable under law for any damage done by them, and damage to property may result in criminal mischief or other applicable charges.