

Thompson Township

Established 1820

The Township of Thompson, Delaware County, Ohio, Resolution: 2026-5 Cemetery Rules and Regulations Replacing Resolution 2022-7, 2024-7, 2025-4

Section 1: All burials shall be under the direction of the Township Sexton. No burial shall be allowed in any of the Thompson Township cemeteries without an approved vault and approved marker.

- 1.1 Thompson Township requires 48-hour notice on grave openings.
- 1.2 Thompson Township requires the burial site must be vacated one (1) hour after graveside services.

Section 2: Definition

- 2.1 Resident: Any person living in Thompson Township, or who is owning property other than a cemetery plot in Thompson Township. Once you move out of the Township you will no longer be considered a resident for future cemetery plot purchases and fees; however, plots purchased while a resident and moved out of the Township due to safety or health reasons will continue to receive the residential rate on grave openings and closing as well as monument foundation installation.
- 2.2 Non-Resident: Any person not living in Thompson Township or does not own property within the township. A prior purchase of a cemetery plot does not alone establish residential status. Inheriting a cemetery plot does not alone establish residential status.
- 2.3 Plot: A 4ft x 16ft deeded lot.
- 2.4 Monuments: Are a single lot or two lot markers. No markers larger than two lot markers. Single lot markers may not exceed a base dimension of 18inches x 36inches. Two lot markers may not exceed a base dimension of 22inches x 72inches.
- 2.5 Foundations: All foundation shall be constructed of concrete, at a depth of 32 inches below grade and protrude 4 inches above grade. All foundation shall be installed by the Township.
- 2.6 Deed: Fiscal officer shall provide a lot deed to the purchaser. The lots are recorded by the owner's name and the name of the decedent.
- 2.7 Fees: Payment of cemetery lots and associated services shall be made by cash, check or money order, and made out to Thompson Township.
- 2.8 Burial: One lot can accommodate one full burial, six cremations, two infant burials, or one full burial and two cremations.
- 2.9 Vault: a concrete compartment for storage of casket. Only concrete vaults shall be used. All burials are required to be stored in a vault including cremation containers. The only exemption if they are placed in a grave directly back to the soil without any container.

Section 3: Burial Resident of Township

- 3.1 Plot and deed: \$575.00
- 3.2 Grave opening and closing fee: weekdays \$450.00; holidays and weekends \$1000.00
- 3.3 Install monument foundation fee: \$30.00/cubic foot with a minimum \$500.00

Section 4: Burial Non-Resident of Township

- 4.1 Plot and deed: \$3000.00
- 4.2 Grave opening and closing fee: weekdays \$750.00; holidays and weekends \$1000.00
- 4.3 Install monument foundation fee: \$45.00/cubic foot with a minimum of \$700.00

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Section 5: Cremation Resident of Township

- 5.1 Plot and deed: \$575.00
- 5.2 Concrete Vault \$200.00 (Purchased from Township)
- 5.3 Grave opening and closing fee: weekdays \$400.00; holidays and weekends \$600.00
- 5.4 Install monument foundation fee: \$30.00/cubic foot with a minimum \$500.00.

Section 6: Cremation Non-Resident of Township

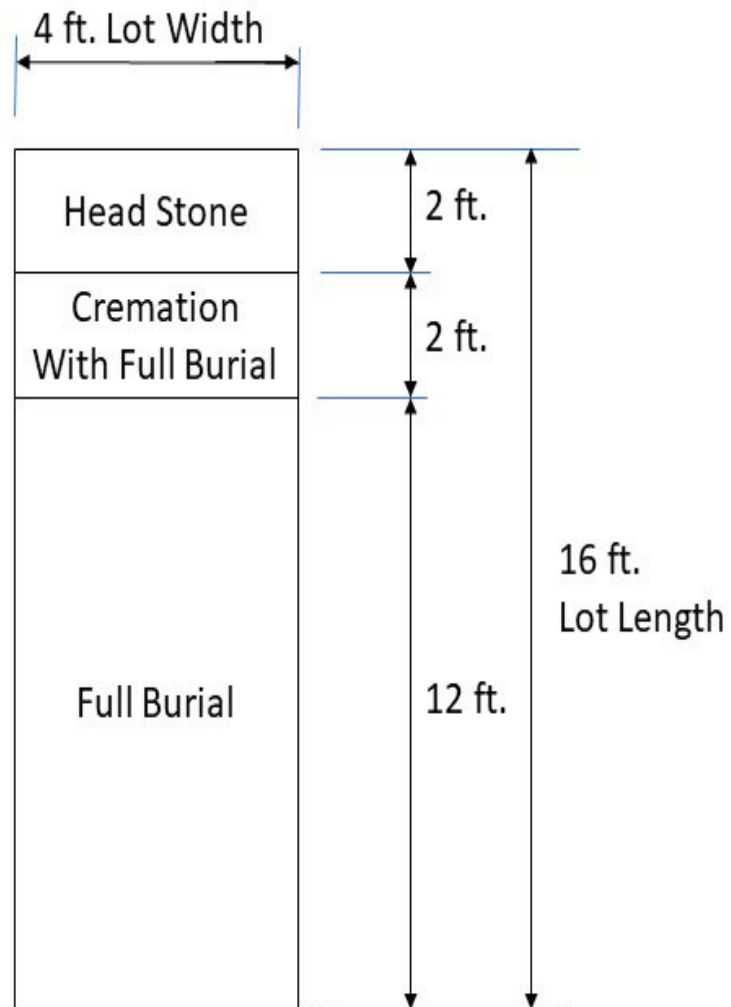
- 6.1 Plot and deed: \$3000.00
- 6.2 Concrete Vault \$200.00 (Purchased from Township)
- 6.3 Grave opening and closing fee: weekdays \$650.00; holidays and weekends \$700.00
- 6.4 Install monument foundation fee: \$45.00/cubic foot with a minimum of \$700.00.

Section 7: General Rules

- 7.1 No shrubs or trees shall be planted, any shrubs or trees planted shall be removed without notification.
- 7.2 No fence or flower bed edging are permitted and shall be removed without notification.
- 7.3 Solar lights, small decorations are permitted; however, they are to be removed when they become distressed, broken or stop working. They are to be removed by the persons putting them on the lot. Dispose in the dumpster next to the Township Building.
- 7.4 Artificial flowers, arrangements not secured to the monuments or contained by Shepard's hook above the grave are permitted only from November 1st to March 15th and the following holidays: Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Birthdays. All of these arrangements shall be removed seven days after the holiday.
- 7.5 Flowers may be planted in front of the head stone, and no more than 12 inches away from the head stone.
- 7.6 No pets shall be buried in cemetery or on Township property. One exemption, pets shall be allowed in a casket along with the pet owner.
- 7.7 Visitors are permitted in the cemetery during daylight hours only.
- 7.8 The Board may repurchase any cemetery lot from its owner at any time at the original purchase price.
- 7.9 Plot exchanges / trade-ins are prohibited. To exchange a plot for a new location, the existing plot must be sold back to the Township at the purchased price with the deed issued at the sale of the existing plot. The new plot then can be purchased as resident or a nonresident based on the current rules.
- 7.10 The sexton has the duties of maintaining the cemetery and reserves the rights to remove any and all unmaintained decorations and potted flower without notification.
- 7.11 Monuments shall be placed on the foundation and turned to face the burial in the Thompson cemetery located on the west side of State Route 257 North.
- 7.12 Positioning the coffin in the grave is to have the body with the head to the west, feet to the east. Bury husbands on the south side of a burial plot, with their wives on the north.

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Date : May 6, 2026

Motion by: Kent G. Manley

Motion: I move the board approves the cemetery rules and regulations Resolution 2026- _ which
replaces resolution 2022-7, 2024-7, 2025-4.
Affect starting May 6, 2026

Seconded by: John VamGundy

Roll call: Trustee, Kent G. Manley

Trustee, William A. Thompson, III

Trustee, John VanGundy

Fiscal officer: