

CHAPTER 102: WILLIAMSTOWN CEMETERY

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§ 102.01 PROHIBITIONS.

(A) No person shall erect or place on or in any part of the lands within Section "K & L" of the Williamstown Cemetery, any monument stone, marker or other device which extends more than one (1) inch above the surrounding land surface around such monument, stone, marker or other device, nor shall the top or upper surface of such monument, stone, marker or device be lower than one and one-half (1-1/2) inches below the surface of the adjoining land.

(B) No person shall drive on or over any roadways within the Williamstown Cemetery except for the purpose of visiting the grave of a particular, identifiable deceased person or persons or for the purpose of paying respect to identifiable deceased person or for participating in the interment of a relative or friend or for the purpose of conducting business within the Williamstown Cemetery. However, that equipment used by the personnel of the Williamstown Cemetery shall be exempt from this provision while engaged in caring and maintaining the Williamstown Cemetery.

(C) No person shall permit any animal or domesticated fowl to run at large in the Williamstown Cemetery.

(D) No person shall drive any motor vehicle, animal or animal drawn vehicle over any part or parts of the Williamstown Cemetery other than on designated roadways therein, provided, however, that equipment used by and personnel of the Williamstown Cemetery shall be exempt from this provision while engaged in caring for the Williamstown Cemetery.

(E) Pedestrian visitation and/or walkers' use of the Williamstown Cemetery shall be permitted during the hours of sunrise to sunset prevailing time.

(F) Plantings, annuals, perennials, shrubs and/or trees shall not be sown or transplanted within the Williamstown Cemetery, except under the following conditions:

(1) Plantings, annuals, perennials and/or shrubs shall be permitted to be sown or transplanted within the Williamstown Cemetery at the front or head of grave monuments and/or grave markers in a plant bed area not to exceed twelve (12) inches in width from the front or head of grave monuments and/or grave markers. Plantings, annuals, perennials and/or shrubs shall be permitted to be sown or transplanted within the Williamstown Cemetery at the ends of grave monuments or grave markers in a plant bed area not to exceed eighteen (18) inches in width from the ends of grave monuments or grave markers.

(2) Plantings, annuals, perennials and/or shrubs shall not exceed thirty-six (36) inches in height at any time.

(3) No trees shall be planted in the Williamstown Cemetery except as designated and approved as to location, size and variety by the Mayor of the City and the sextons of the Williamstown Cemetery.

(4) All plantings and plant beds shall be mulched, grass trimmed, weeded, pruned and maintained by the persons so placing such plantings and creating said plant beds.

(5) No plantings as heretofore described and planted in the Williamstown Cemetery shall encroach on other graves or lots within the Williamstown Cemetery.

(6) Any plantings or beds as heretofore described and planted or failed to be maintained or encroaching on graves or lots in violation hereof shall be removed by the City to maintain, preserve the general appearance or to prevent safety risks in or about the Williamstown Cemetery.

(G) No flower containers made of sheet metal, glass, pottery or plastics shall be placed within the Williamstown Cemetery; invertible vases of durable materials and vases designed for and secured to a headstone may be used if constructed of durable materials.

(H) No artificial flowers, wreaths or floral pieces shall be placed or left on any grave for any period of time during the period from April 1st through September 30th, except:

(1) Such items may be placed on graves during the period beginning seven (7) days before and ending seven (7) days after Memorial Day. All such items shall be removed by the person so placing them, on or before the end of such period.

(2) At and immediately following the interment of a deceased person cut flowers, artificial flowers, and other memorial wreaths and floral pieces may be placed on such grave, provided, however that such items shall be removed within five (5) days following such interment. All of such flowers, real or artificial, wreaths or memorial flowers and the containers in which they are contained may be removed in a lesser period of time when necessary to maintain or preserve the general appearance of the Williamstown Cemetery or to prevent safety risks.

(I) No fence, railing or curb shall hereafter be erected on or placed around any grave or group of graves within the Williamstown Cemetery.

(J) The Williamstown Cemetery grounds shall not be used as a playground or picnic ground.

(K) No student and/or driver training is to be conducted within the Williamstown Cemetery.

(L) No persons and/or vehicles shall be in the Williamstown Cemetery prior to one-half (½) hour before sunrise or one-half (½) hour after sunset prevailing time.  
(Ord. 1995-15, passed 12-4-95)

§ 102.02 BURIAL, GRAVE PLOT CHARGES.

The city hereby establishes the following charges to be utilized for burial and/or grave plots and charges to be utilized for opening and the closing of graves by the city, as follows:

Burial and/or Grave Plots

Section K	\$400.00
All other sections	\$600.00

Cost of opening and closing graves

Weekdays	\$600.00
Saturdays	\$800.00
Sundays	\$900.00

(Ord. 1998-10, passed 4-6-98; Am. Ord. 2003-19, passed 10-21-03; Am. Ord. 2006-05, passed 4-18-06; Am. Ord. 2009-01, passed 4-6-09; Am. Ord. 2012-01, passed 2-21-12; Am. Ord. 2017-06, passed 6-5-17)

§ 102.99 PENALTY.

(A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500 or by imprisonment as set forth in KRS 534.040 and KRS 532.090(a). Each violation, each and every other failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter shall be a separate and distinct offense.

(B) The offender shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$100 for each offense, which shall be recovered by the city in a civil action if the nature of debt is not paid by the offender within 30 days after citation for the violation or other failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter.  
(Ord. 1995-15, passed 12-4-95)