## Town of Howland **CEMETERY POLICY**

LOT PURCHASE: The cost to purchase a lot in the Howland Cemetery is as follows:

Resident:

Double \$100.00 Single \$ 75.00

Non-Resident

Double \$150.00 Single \$100.00

BURIALS: Graves will be opened and closed by Howland's Public Works crew only.

The cost of grave openings are as follows:

During the week

\$200.00

Weekends

\$300.00

Cremations:

During the week \$100.00

Weekends

\$175.00

Lot corner markings must be flush with the ground so as not to hinder mowing.

Annual opening and closing dates for the Howland Cemetery will be at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

OUTER BURIAL CONTAINER: All burials must have an outer burial container made of concrete, steel, copper or bronze.

MONUMENTS AND MONUMENT FOUNDATIONS: A permit for a monument and monument foundation installation and erection will be required prior to such installation and erection. This permit will be issued, without charge, at the Town office as described in the Permit section of this policy.

- 1. All monuments and certain markers must be set on a base of crushed stone or concrete. One-piece stones may be set directly on the crushed stone with no base. Stones requiring a base must be pinned to the base.
- 2. Any request for location of a lot for the purpose of erecting a foundation shall be made at least three (3) working days before the foundation is installed.
- 3. No monument or monument foundation shall be erected without a permit and approval of the town.
- 4. All material removed from foundation excavation must be disposed of properly in the designated area.
- 5. The monument dealer involved shall be responsible to the Town of Howland for any cleaning up of the gravesite.

## **EXCEPTIONS:**

- 1. No grass or hickey markers shall require a foundation unless they are over two feet in length.
- 2. Any slant monument over twenty inches (20") in length shall require a full foundation.

**<u>VIOLATIONS:</u>** Non adherence to these regulations will result in the loss of permission to install or erect foundations and/or monuments in the Howland Cemetery.

**DECORATIVE STONES:** Decorative stones shall not be placed around monuments or footstones, Or any other place on the cemetery plot. Principal purpose of this rule is to decrease the liability of loose stones being picked up by the lawnmower or weed trimmer and chipping the monuments or footstones nearby.

## PERMITS:

- 1. Permit applications will be available at the Town Office.
- 2. Permit must be filed three working days prior to installation.
- 3. Permit applications may be filled out by phone to the office staff.
- 4. Permits applications will be approved within three (3) days.
- 5. Permit will be mailed to installer, (or picked up) who can install anytime after receipt of the permit.

<u>PLANTS:</u> No live plants, shrubs, bushes or trees will be allowed to be planted in the Howland Cemetery. Existing plants, shrubs and trees will be trimmed and pruned at the town's discretion.

<u>PETS AND PLAYING:</u> There are no pets allowed in the cemetery. The cemetery is not a playground and there will be no bicycling, sliding, four-wheeling, snowmobiling, rollerblading, skateboarding or any other recreational activity allowed.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen on Monday, August 31, 1998.

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Attest:	
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