

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE TEMPLE OF ISRAEL CEMETERY

This instruction contains pertinent information for the Temple of Israel New Jewish Cemetery and Memorial Garden.

The Temple of Israel (TOI) was gifted 303 plots in the New Jewish Cemetery, Wilmington, North Carolina in 2009. In 2016, a Memorial Garden was created to allow cremation remains that are to be buried.

Certificates of Burial Rights may be obtained by donation to the Temple, as outlined below.

1. Who may acquire plots and cremation remains (cremains) rights in the TOI's section of the New Jewish Cemetery?

Members of the Temple of Israel.

Non-members of the Temple who are eligible for membership in the TOI as stated in the Temple by-laws.

2. Who may be buried in these plots and the Memorial Garden?

Members of the Jewish faith who are either born Jewish (by either matrilineal or patrilineal descent), or converted to Judaism during their lifetimes, and the spouses and children of such persons.

Indigent Jewish persons by approval of the Cemetery Committee.

3. How many plots may one entity (person, couple, family) acquire?

Six.

4. May cremains be buried in the cemetery?

Yes, there may be one or two cremains in one plot, or one casket and one cremains in one burial plot. Cremains in a burial plot must be in a suitable cremation container, urn, box, etc.

In the Memorial Garden, cremains will be placed without any container.

5. What are the specifics of the burial ceremony?

All burials, in plots or in the Memorial Garden, must be supervised by the Rabbi of the Temple of Israel, or his/her Jewish designee.

All burials of caskets in plots must be conducted by or under the supervision of a licensed funeral director.

All burials must comply with all applicable governmental statutes, laws and rules in effect.

The following days are not available for burials: Yom Kippur, Shabbat and the major days of festivals, including Rosh Hashanah, Sukkot, Passover, Shavuot.

6. All graves must have a marker to identify the deceased, which must be installed within one year of burial. Inscriptions on the Memorial Garden monument will be completed within 90 days.

What are the requirements for an upright headstone?

It must be made of granite, only.

It must not exceed 30 inches of width, including the base, if used to identify a single grave.

It must not exceed 36 inches in height, including the base.

It must not exceed 60 inches in width, including the base, if used to identify more than one grave.

It may only contain English or Hebrew lettering, and may only contain Jewish symbols or the American flag.

7. What are the requirements for a footstone, if used?

It must be made of granite, only, or must be granite with an attached bronze plaque.

It may be no more than 14 inches by 26 inches. .

It may only contain English or Hebrew lettering, and may only contain Jewish symbols or the American flag.

Note: Maintenance of headstones and footstones are the responsibility of the family of the deceased.

8. What are the regulations that apply to the Certificates of Burial Rights?

The Certificate will be issued after the required donation has been made in full.

The grave will not be opened until the donation has been made in full.

The Certificate may be in the name of one or more individuals, or a family.

The Certificate may not be sold.

The Certificate may be not be exchanged or assigned to any person or entity other than the Temple of Israel.

The Certificate may revert back to the Temple if unused for 75 years and if it can be reasonably determined that no family members have any intention of using the plot(s).

Upon the death of the Certificate owner(s), the Certificate may pass to the deceased owner(s) heirs.

9. May plantings, benches, fountains or other decorative items be placed in the cemetery by plot or Certificate owners?

They may, but only with the written consent of the Cemetery Committee.

10. What is the required donation to the Temple of Israel in order to acquire Certificates of Burial Rights?

Burials Plots:

For members in good standing at TOI, as determined by its Treasurer,

\$4,000.00 per plot if a member for less than one year, if in good standing.

\$3,000.00 per plot if a member between one and two years, if in good standing.

\$2,500.00 per plot if a member more than two years, if in good standing.

For non-members, and for members not in good standing as determined by the Treasurer:

\$5,000.00 per plot.

Memorial Garden:

For members in good standing at TOI, as determined by its Treasurer:

\$1,250, which includes the inscription on the Memorial Garden monument.

For non-members, and for members not in good standing as determined by the Treasurer:

\$2,500, which includes the inscription on the Memorial Garden monument.

Members not in good standing may consult with the Temple Treasurer to determine what remedies are necessary to become a member in good standing.

If any of these Rules and Regulations, or any part thereof, is declared invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect.

These Rules and Regulations may be amended from time to time by the Temple of Israel, at its sole discretion. Any request for variance from the above Rules and Regulations must be made in writing to the Chairman of the Cemetery Committee.

The owner(s) of Certificate(s) of Burial Rights acknowledges these Rules and Regulations, and any subsequent amendments, and agrees to abide by them.