

	ITEM	Monument Lot	Raised Marker Grave	Flush Marker Grave
Monuments and Headstones				
	Size of Headstone	Various Centered over <u>two or more</u> graves	Single: 2' wide x 1' front to back x 8" height, maximum Double: 4' wide x 1' front to back x 8" height, maximum. Must be centered over <u>two</u> graves. (<i>doubles permitted only in certain sections</i>)	Single: 2' Wide x 1' front to back x 4" thick, maximum Double: 4' wide x 1' front to back x 6" thick, maximum. Must be centered over <u>two</u> graves. (<i>doubles permitted only in certain sections</i>)
	Material of Headstone	Granite only		
	Headstone foundation	Required for every headstone and monument		
	Design	All stones should match in color, design and inscription style.		
	Embellishments	Color, appliqué, etc. are acceptable provided that family signs a release acknowledging that the Cemetery accepts no responsibility for the durability of these items.		
	Triple Headstones	n/a	Not Permitted	Not Permitted
Flowers and Plantings	Flowers	Fresh cut natural flowers may be laid at the grave at any time. NO Artificial Flowers, Plants, Wreaths, etc. are permitted from April 1 to Oct. 31		
	Potted plants/flowers	One 10" diameter plastic pot per grave, from April 1 – Oct. 31, <i>either</i> on the ground, or on a shepherd's hook.		
	Shepherd's Hook	One permitted, hanging over headstone, from April 1 – Oct. 31. A <u>potted plant</u> must hang from the hook. Birdhouses, bird feeders, wind chimes and artificial flowers are not permitted and will be removed.		
	Wreaths	One Natural or Artificial Wreath permitted per grave from Nov. 1 through March 31.		
	In-ground planting	Annual flowers may be planted surrounding a monument, within 8" of the headstone. A dwarf shrub may be planted at each side of the monument on a monument lot. All plants must be watered, trimmed and maintained by the family. The maximum height of shrubs is twenty-seven inches (27"). If they exceed that size, overhang the adjoining lot, or are not maintained by the family, they will be removed without notice to the owner. Rosebushes, thorned plants, and plants that spread are prohibited.	Annual flowers may be planted surrounding a raised marker, within 8" of the headstone All plants must be watered, trimmed and maintained by the family. At Erie and Laurel Hill Cemeteries, shrubs are permitted at two-grave lots in certain sections. Please call and ask prior to planting. No shrubs may be planted on a single grave. Rosebushes, thorned plants, and plants that spread are prohibited.	No planting of any kind is permitted on flush graves. ECA will remove any plants without notice.
	Other	Families are encouraged to maintain the grave by edging the headstone with <i>natural bark mulch</i> if they wish to. No rubber mulch, pebbles, stones, decorative stone, etc. are permitted. Deer, rabbits, geese and other wildlife visit frequently. When choosing flowers to place at a grave, you may wish to choose types that animals don't care to eat. For example, deer love tulips, but will not touch daffodils. No loose items, borders, mementos, stones, toys or mementos are allowed. Such items will be removed and discarded. ECA has the authority to remove any planting, pots, flowers, decorative item, etc. from any lot or grave that, in its opinion, is detrimental to the cemetery as a whole and/or the individual lot, without notice to the lot owner. ECA has the authority to remove any and all decorations that are not permissible from a grave without notice to the lot owner.		
This is a summary of rules regarding headstones and planting only. The complete rules are available in the cemetery office. Cemetery rules are subject to change.				