

CITY OF COLSTRIP

CEMETERY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

1. PRICE:

Single Lot		\$100.00
Full Burial		\$350.00
Full Burial Monday, grave must be dug on the weekend		\$450.00
Full Burial Saturday & Sunday, must work overtime		\$600.00
Full Burial Holiday, must work overtime	**	\$650.00
1st or 2nd Cremation Burial		\$175.00
3rd Cremation Burial, must dig by hand		\$350.00
1st or 2nd Cremation Burial Monday		\$275.00
1st or 2nd Cremation Burial Saturday, Sunday		\$300.00
1st or 2nd Cremation Burial Holiday	**	\$325.00
3rd Cremation Burial Monday, must dig by hand		\$450.00
3rd Cremation Burial Saturday & Sunday, must also dig by hand		\$600.00
3rd Cremation Burial Holiday, must also dig by hand	**	\$650.00
** Emergency only		

- The purchase of any lot in the Colstrip Cemetery entitles **only the right of interment**. No monument or other grave marker shall be placed or erected on a grave until that grave is paid for in full. Planting of trees and flowers are prohibited.
- Lots are sold for no other purpose than for burial of human bodies or ashes of same.
- Should an interment be made on a lot with questionable ownership, the wrongful party must bear the cost for disinterment and reinterment in another lot should a dispute arise.
- When a lot owner dies intestate, the heirs are recognized according to the laws of Montana.
- No assignment or transfer of a lot shall be valid without the consent of the City and entry must be made on the records; lots cannot be sold independently but may be sold back to the City for the purchase price paid. A previously purchased lot may be given or transferred to a family member with written notification to the City of Colstrip.
- All flowers must be removed from the cemetery within seven (7) days after Memorial Day unless they are attached to the monument or placed in floral containers installed in the monuments.
- No fencing, roping or enclosure of any nature will be permitted upon graves or lots, except cornerstones.
- No advertisement of any form will be permitted within the cemetery. Picking of flowers, breaking or injuring trees, plants or any other property within the cemetery is strictly prohibited.

10. Fast driving will not be allowed. Vehicles must be kept on roadways.
11. Neither picnics nor parties will be allowed on the grounds and all children will be accompanied by an adult.
12. Dogs will not be allowed on the grounds unless they are on a leash.
13. Monuments shall not exceed a total height of 24 inches and must be installed on a concrete slab 4 inches thick with a minimum of 6 inches for a border of the monument base and shall be flush with the ground and within the boundary and properly centered. Benches are allowed, but benches with a back are not allowed. Contact the Public Works Director prior to placing monuments, as it needs to be marked out correctly prior to installation. Monuments MUST be placed at the head end of the grave, as determined by the City of Colstrip.
14. A casket or urn, in addition to a vault, must be used for all burials. Containers/vaults shall be constructed of substantial materials other than wood. (Recommended maintenance vaults are fiberglass). Installation of section liners shall not be permitted.
15. No stacking of full burials will be permitted. Each space is solely intended for one full burial.
16. No more than two burials per grave space. The two burials could include one full burial and one infant; one full burial and one cremation, or two cremations.
 - Multiple burials per grave space, as stated above, shall be laid to rest as follows: one to the head and one to the foot of the grave. Monuments must be placed according to the rules and regulations.
17. On rare exception, a third burial may be permitted. Multiple burials per grave space shall be a full burial, and two cremations the first being at the head and the second at the foot, or three cremations. Multiple burials must be approved through the Public Works Director.
18. The City of Colstrip is not responsible for maintenance, vandalism or theft of memorials/monuments or any other items left in the cemetery.