

Excerpt from North Vancouver Cemetery Bylaw, 2011, No. 8109, Amendment Bylaw, 2022, No. 8920

PART 10 – LOT ADORNMENT REGULATIONS

10.1 Floral Tribute

- a) On the day of interment and for fourteen days after the day of interment, a person may adorn a lot with any floral tribute. The tribute may be removed by the City staff after 14 days.
- b) The following floral tributes may adorn a lot at any time and may be removed when their condition is considered to be detrimental to the appearance of the Cemetery. Cemetery staff may remove these items at any time during maintenance operations.
 - i. A maximum of two potted plants in a plastic or biodegradable container with a diameter measuring 8” or less will be allowed to sit on the surface of the memorial.
 - ii. Fresh cut flowers may be placed in a City installed in-ground vase or may be placed on the surface of the memorial.
 - iii. Artificial flowers may be placed in a City installed in-ground vase. [Bylaw 8263, October 22, 2012]
 - iv. Deleted [Bylaw 8587, December 4, 2017]

10.2 Deleted [Bylaw 8920, June 27, 2022]

10.3 In-ground Flower Vases

- a) All in-ground vases must be purchased from the City and fees paid as specified in Schedule “A”.
- b) In-ground vases shall be permitted on defined lots, in all areas of the Cemetery, where lot sizes allow, with the exception of the Veteran’s Section. [Bylaw 8961, December 4, 2023]
- c) A maximum of two in-ground vases shall be allowed and set in each lot.
- d) In-ground vases shall be installed flush to the ground by the caretaker. [Bylaw 8349, June 16, 2014]

10.4 Adornment Restrictions

- a) Items such as candles, lanterns, solar lamps, glass vases, picture frames, toys and glass, ceramic or metal objects of any kind shall not be left to adorn any lot in the Cemetery.
- b) The burning of incense, candles or other flammable products is strictly prohibited within the Cemetery grounds. [Bylaw 8349, June 16, 2014]
- c) A person must not place, install, construct, or plant anything in or on a lot, alter a lot or remove anything from a lot, unless permitted in this Bylaw.

- d) No ground lot shall be defined by a fence, railing, coping, hedge, netting, loose rock or by any other marking except as permitted in the memorial provisions of this Bylaw.
- e) No person, other than the caretaker, shall plant, place, remove, cut down or destroy any tree, shrub, plant, flower, bulb, rocks or decorative feature within the Cemetery unless permitted in this Bylaw.
- f) No item shall be taped, glued or attached in any way to the columbaria. Items will be removed by Cemetery staff immediately. The columbaria remain the property of the City of North Vancouver and such actions will be considered vandalism of City property. *[Bylaw 8587, December 4, 2017]*
- g) Flowers or any other items shall not be placed on the top or at the base of columbaria. *[Bylaw 8587, December 4, 2017]*

10.5 Removal of Adornments and Other Personal Property

- a) The City has no responsibility for any lot adornment or for maintenance or preservation of any adornment.
- b) The caretaker may remove from any lot or from the Cemetery any adornment or other personal property that is detrimental to the operation or maintenance of the Cemetery, constitutes a hazard to visitors, employees or machinery, is unsightly or abandoned, is inconsistent with the dignity of the Cemetery or general community standards or is placed in violation of this Bylaw. *[Bylaw 8263, October 22, 2012]*
- c) The caretaker has no obligation to give notice to any person that they have removed adornments or other personal property from the Cemetery, and the caretaker may destroy any perishable adornments or other personal property so removed.