

## TOWN OF CULPEPER

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## FAIRVIEW CEMETERY ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP

Town employees are beginning Fall clean-up in preparation of the upcoming holidays and Winter season. They are filling graves, seeding, fertilizing and trimming trees and bushes as necessary. They will also begin clearing graves of all non-permanent decorations along with any items prohibited by the Town Code.

The Town administration requests that <u>BEFORE MONDAY</u>, <u>OCTOBER 18</u> owners or family members remove all non-permanent decorations from their graves that they wish to salvage or re-use. There are many memorial wreaths and other floral decorations that have weathered during the summer, and these need to be permanently removed. Also, items that are not specifically permitted by Town policy must be removed.

As a reminder, only two floral arrangements may be placed on a grave at one time and should be securely anchored or in a non-breakable vase or container; floral displays attached to stones are encouraged and permitted all year. Withered, faded, and unsightly flowers will be removed. No floral arrangements are allowed within the mowing aisles.

The following items are strictly prohibited:

- Glass containers
- > Garden, commercial or advertising flags
- > Fencing and borders
- > Wood chips
- > Decorative rocks
- > All other decorative items not specifically listed in the Policy Statement

Cemetery lot owners wishing to install permanent items such as stones, flags, benches, statues or plantings must apply for and obtain a permit or permission from the Town prior to installation. (Town Code Sec. 5-31)

The Town administration would also like to remind the public that floral remembrances are placed in Fairview by members of a loved one's family. The Town Code prohibits anyone without authority from removing or injuring any monument or decoration in the Cemetery, and such acts are punishable as larceny.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Christopher D. Hively

Town Manager