

PLEASANT RIDGE GREEN CEMETERY ~ THETFORD, VT
Rules and Regulations

1. A section of the Pleasant Ridge Cemetery will be designated for green burials.
2. A 4' x 10' green burial will cost \$1,250/grave. It is a higher price than traditional graves due to the cost of long-term maintenance. This price includes administrative and recording fees. This price does not include interment and corner markers. Two grave maximum.
3. Graves may be purchased ahead of time but burials will be in succession - no requests for a specific spot.
4. A burial right certificate will be issued upon purchase, with no lot number. A deed will be issued with a lot number after interment.
5. The dirt will be mounded 6" on burial site – 3 ½ ' deep.
6. Burials may be in a shroud or an untreated, natural, biodegradable box with no embalming unless using green materials. Shrouded bodies must be entirely wrapped and be supported on a solid, untreated board for lowering. The board must be at least as long as the body and as wide as the widest part of the body. Plywood and particle support boards are not acceptable.
7. All graves are opened only by Cemetery personnel. Family members may not dig graves. Family members are permitted to backfill graves. If a funeral director isn't being used, relatives must provide appropriate documentation and a sexton must be present for all burials.
8. Headstones must be flat.
9. Corner-markers are required upon burial.
10. No decoration or plantings of any kind are allowed. Wildflower seeds may be sowed with the understanding that the area will be mowed twice a year.
11. The Town is under no obligation to buy an unused grave back from purchaser.
12. Mowing/trimming will only be done twice a year around Memorial Day and at a later date.
13. Winter Burials – there will be an added cost for preparation and plowing and there will be limited vehicle access.

Requests for exceptions to the above rules must be presented in writing and is at the discretion of the Thetford Cemetery Commissioners.

Addendum dated September 9, 2025