

SECTION: TRANSPORTATION

SUBJECT: GRAVE SITE PREPARATION

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Grave Site Preparation Policy

It is the policy of the County of Warner No. 5 to supply grave site preparation services in approved cemeteries operated by the hamlets of the County, such as the Wrentham and New Dayton, or other rural community cemetery associations, if requested.

Guidelines

1. The Public Works Department shall immediately, upon notification from the appropriate cemetery association, prepare the grave site. It is not the intent of the County to supply grave site preparation services for the towns and villages unless an emergency situation arises.
2. The grave site preparation work shall include the digging of the grave, removal of the excavated dirt from the site prior to the funeral service, return and placement of the dirt immediately after the interment and appropriate cleanup. The County will not be responsible for the reseeded of grass or placement of head stones.
3. The cemetery association will be responsible for the proper location of the plot and the plot shall be staked out. It is the preference of the County to have a member of the cemetery association present during the excavation. The County assumes no responsibility for the possible disruption of an existing grave nor any records kept by the cemetery association.
4. The cemetery association will sign a hold harmless agreement for any work conducted by the County on their behalf.
5. The cost of the grave site preparation service is as follows:
 - a. A casket burial will be \$300 plus appropriate taxes
 - b. A cremation site will be \$100 plus appropriate taxes.

The fee is to cover equipment and man time only.

6. The cemetery association shall arrange for the payment from the appropriate funeral home. The County will be immediately advised by the cemetery association of the name and address of the funeral home assisting the family.
7. The Public Works Department shall keep records for any grave site preparation they do. This shall include the name of the deceased person, date of death, date of burial, plot location, funeral home and any other appropriate information.