



HEADSTONE PURCHASING GUIDELINES

QUESTIONS TO ASK A CEMETERY

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Things to Keep in Mind

Prior to purchasing a headstone from Overnight Caskets you need to be familiar with the requirements that your cemetery has in place. As well, you must comply with all of these requirements. The law requires that the cemetery allow you to purchase a headstone from the vendor of your choice, but it also makes provisions allowing the cemetery to have specific requirements that must be adhered to. Failure to follow the regulations of the cemetery can result in the stone delivery being refused. If the headstone is refused by the cemetery all charges incurred, including return shipping and possible remaking of the stone are the purchaser's responsibility. Overnight Caskets will not contact your cemetery directly.

What are the size requirements for headstones?

There are normally a variety of sizes allowed by the cemetery. These can vary depending on the size of the plot purchased as well. You must purchase a headstone that matches the size and thickness requirements.

What style of headstone do you allow?

Overnight Caskets has a large selection of styles to choose from. Custom styles are available upon request.

What type of material is required?

Overnight Caskets sells both Granite and Bronze Headstones.

Is paint allowed on the headstone?

Overnight Caskets will paint the engraved areas of the stones we produce, unless you specify otherwise. The paint used on all headstones is special monument grade paint, specifically designed to be used on headstones. If the cemetery requires no paint then please indicate that requirement in the comments of your order. This will be done at no charge.

Are Lawn Mower Proof Edges or Beveled Edges required?

If required, please specify in the comments section of our order form. Additional charges apply.

Is there any type of emblem required on the headstone?

Overnight Caskets clip art collection contains thousands of emblems to choose from. Clip art will be added at no additional charge. Browse our Clip Art Collection and specify in the comments section of your order the name and location of the emblem that you have selected.

Are there any granite color restrictions?

Overnight Caskets has many different colors to choose from.

Is a plot number required on the stone? If so, what size is required and where on the stone can it be located?

Plot numbers are commonly located in the lower left or right hand corner of a headstone. If you need a plot number on your stone, please specify:

Plot number

Location on the stone (i.e. Lower Right corner)

Size of plot number (i.e. 3/4", 5/8")

Overnight Caskets will engrave the plot number for no additional charge.

Is paperwork required?

Overnight Caskets will not contact your cemetery directly. We are, however, happy to fill out any paperwork required by the cemetery. Once you receive the paperwork from the cemetery you can email it to Sales@overnightcaskets.com or fax it to (800) 323-1254. Once the paperwork is filled out, our office will provide a copy to you and to the cemetery, if required.

Is a proof required?

Overnight Caskets online designer provides an immediate proof for your order. If a formal proof is required you must specify that when you place your order. There is no charge to provide a proof on a paid order.

Are pictures allowed on a headstone?

Ceramic photos are permanent kiln fired digital images. Any original photo or scanned image can be reproduced and permanently fired into a variety of oval, square and rectangular size ceramic tiles that will withstand the test of time. When we place your ceramic on your headstone we sandcarve the granite to the shape and depth of the ceramic so it is inlayed flush with the surface. This process further protects your ceramic from the elements and acts as a prevention against vandalism.

NOTE: Ceramic orders can take up to 8 weeks for production.