



## Site Rules & Regulations

The Woodlands is owned and managed by The Woodlands Trust for Historic Preservation and The Woodlands Cemetery Company. In addition to being the largest open green space in West Philadelphia and a historic site, The Woodlands is an active cemetery and visitors bury and visit their loved ones throughout the year.

**In order for The Woodlands' gates to continue to be opened daily, these rules must be followed.** We ask that visitors be respectful and abide by the following rules while visiting:

### General:

- **All dogs MUST be on a leash. No exceptions.** Owners are required to pick up after their dogs.
- **Gravestones are fragile. Please do not touch, climb, or sit on them. Gravestone rubbing is prohibited.**
- Smoking, alcohol, and drug use is prohibited.
- Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Please do not feed the wildlife.

### Trees and Plants:

- **Please do not disturb trees, shrubs, and plantings, or pick flowers or foliage.**
- Tree-climbing, attaching any straps to trees, using hammocks, and slack-lining are strictly prohibited.

### Bicycling:

- Bicycling (including standard and e-bikes) is not permitted on the perimeter running path, and allowed on the paved roads only.
- Bikes may be locked to the bike racks located near the front gates and the stable. Locking or chaining bikes to trees, monuments, or fencing is prohibited.

### Motorized Vehicles and Cars:

- Skateboards, motorized dirt bikes and ATVs are not permitted.
- Visitors are all allowed to drive on paved roads **ONLY** at a speed limit of no greater than 15 MPH.
- Parking is allowed for Woodlands visitors only. Please keep all tires off the grass.
- Buses and other large vehicles are not allowed in The Woodlands without prior approval.

### Permits:

- A special permit must be obtained for all film-making, commercial photography, or photography with special equipment or posed subjects.
- The Woodlands welcomes picnickers, but groups of more than 10 people must receive prior permission to use the site by completing a [Rentals and Gathering Form](#).

**In the first instance of any of the above rules being disregarded, you will be informed by staff.**

**Any future instances may result in your being told to leave the site.**

**The Woodlands reserves the right to ask anyone to leave the premises at its discretion.**