



**Congregation Beth Shalom**  
**of Brandon**

CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR BURIAL PLOTS AT HILLSBORO MEMORIAL GARDENS

I. Purpose

Congregation Beth Shalom has established a cemetery as part of **Hillsboro Memorial Gardens** in Brandon, Florida. This cemetery has been established to serve the members of Congregation Beth Shalom and their families. Congregation Beth Shalom will use this cemetery in accordance with Reform Jewish practices, as determined by the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom after consulting with the Rabbi.

II. Availability

- A. Burial plots shall be available for purchase to bury Congregation Beth Shalom members or members of their families.
- B. Congregation Beth Shalom interprets present-day Jewish practices as allowing burial of stillborn children, persons who have committed suicide, persons who have lost organs by injury, disease, or donation, and burial of a person previously cremated.

III. Restrictions

- A. All plots are sold for use in accordance with Florida law and the rules established by **Hillsboro Memorial Gardens** for use of this land as a cemetery.
- B. The sales price of each plot includes perpetual care from **Hillsboro Memorial Gardens**. It does not include a burial service, grave marker, shrubs, benches, or fences. No vaults, mausoleums, or garden spaces are available.
- C. Grave markers must meet the standard for **Hillsboro Memorial Gardens** and Congregation Beth Shalom. They may contain Jewish and American symbols but not symbols of other religious faiths. Non-denominational markings and sayings are allowed in this Jewish cemetery.
- D. No clergy of other faiths may participate in burial services without the permission of the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom, after consulting with the Rabbi.

IV. Purchase Price (This section IV is applicable only if the plot is purchased directly from Congregation Beth Shalom.)

- A. The price of each plot and all payment plans shall be set by the Cemetery Committee and must be approved by the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom. Exceptions may be granted only by approval of the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom.

- B. The specific plot must be specified at the time of the down payment on that plot. The plot may be changed only if the Cemetery Committee or the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom agrees to the change, substitution or transfer.
- C. No title, right or ownership to a plot passes until full payment for the plot has been received by the Congregation. No burial shall take place until payment in full is received by the Congregation. Any and all payment plans for a burial plot must be completed and fully paid prior to burial or other use of the plot.
- D. If the purchaser fails to meet the obligations of payment or request an amendment to the payment terms, the Cemetery Committee or the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom, may amend the payment terms. All amendments of payment terms will need to be in writing and signed by the President or Treasurer of the Congregation before being considered final. In the event of default by the purchaser and after notice of the default has been provided to the purchaser and the purchaser has failed to cure the default within 30 days after notice is forwarded by Congregation Beth Shalom, the purchaser will have forfeited any and all interest in the plot along with all consideration provided for or related to the plot.

#### V. Amendments

- A. Congregation Beth Shalom may amend these rules and regulations without notice to any purchaser. A copy of Congregation Beth Shalom's Cemetery Rules and Regulations and any amendments shall be available in the administrative office of Congregation Beth Shalom.

- Revised and approved by the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom on April 5, 2016