

Chapter 5

PROHIBITING BURIALS, BOTH TRADITIONAL AND “GREEN”

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5-5-1 Definition

“Green burial” shall mean the placing of a cadaver; whether embalmed or not, and not contained in a casket, into a grave of any depth.

“Traditional burial” shall mean the placing of a cadaver; whether embalmed or not, and contained in a casket, into a grave of any depth. (Ord. 3-2012, eff. 7/5/2012)

5-5-2 Burials Prohibited

Burials of any nature, be they traditional or “green”, are prohibited on any property located within the recognized limits of the Town of Westcliffe, Colorado. (Ord. 3-2012, eff. 7/5/2012)

5-5-3 Enforcement and Fines

Upon discovery of the fact that a burial has taken place in violation of this ordinance, the violator shall be notified in writing and given one (1) week from the date of receipt notice to remove the body from the illegal internment. If the illegal internment persists after the time given in the notice then it shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable as provided in the Town of Westcliffe Municipal Code 1-6-12. (Ord. 3-2012, eff. 7/5/2012)

5-5-4 Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after passage by a vote of the Town of Westcliffe Board of Trustees. (Ord. 3-2012, eff. 7/5/2012)