



## Department of Conservation and Recreation **Division of Water Supply Protection** Quabbin/Ware River Region Quabbin Park Cemetery

Policy for Placement of Flags on Veterans' Graves

Beginning in the spring of 2019, the DCR will implement its updated Policy for Placement of Flags on Veterans' Graves at the Quabbin Park Cemetery as outlined in the Quabbin Park Cemetery Rules and Operations Manual (approved September, 2018). Prior to Memorial Day, the DCR will place American flags at the gravesites of all known Veterans buried in the Quabbin Park Cemetery. The flags will remain in place through Veterans Day and then be removed. Historically the flags remained up throughout the year and were replaced each spring prior to Memorial Day. After consulting with the American Legion and reviewing the policies of other cemeteries, the general practice is to place flags at Veterans' graves sometime before Memorial Day and remove them soon thereafter. The new DCR Policy provides a compromise between general guidelines and the past practice for the operation of the Quabbin Park Cemetery.

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