

Survey of Jewish History and Holocaust-Related Sites in Moldova
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Jewish Cemetery Nisporeny

I. The Town: Present Circumstances

1. **Present name of town in which cemetery is located:** Nisporeny
2. **Address of cemetery:** cemetery situated in vil. Varzareshti
3. **Alternate names of town:**
Russian: Nisporeny
Moldavian: Nisporeni
4. **Distance from larger towns or centers (specify)**

Town	Distance
Kishinev	70 km

5. **Present total town population:** 17,000 citizens
6. **Present Jewish population:** 3 people

II. Contact people

Name	Addres	Phone	Function
Bolbochan S.N.	st. Kishinev 2A, ap3	(373-264) 2-39-43	

7. Names of town officials:

Position	Name	Phone	Addres
Chief of state administration	Russu V.G.	(373-264)2-39-33	st. A. Chel Bun 55

III. Location, Markers, Access, Security

8. **The cemetery location:** suburban
9. **The cemetery is located:** on a hillside
10. **The cemetery is:** isolated
11. **The cemetery is marked by:** no sign
12. **The cemetery is reached by turning directly off:** a public road

13. **Access to the cemetery:** is open to all

14. **The cemetery is surrounded by:** a hedge or row of trees or bushes and a broken metalic fence

15. **The cemetery has:** a gate that locks

IV. Appearance and Condition of cemetery

16. **Present size of cemetery in square metre:** 20, 000 sq.m.

17. **Approximate number of gravestones in original locations, regardless of condition:** 100 - 500

18. **Approximate number of stones in cemetery, but not in original locations:**
20 - 100

19. **Approximate percentage of surviving stones toppled or broken, whether or not in original locations:** less than 25 %

20. **Is the location of stones that have been removed from the cemetery known?**
not known

21. **Vegetation overgrowth in the cemetery is:** a seasonal problem, preventing access

22. **Water drainage at the cemetery is:**
a seasonal problem.

V. Tombstones and Memorial Markers

23. **Is the cemetery divided into special sections:** no

24. **Tombstones in the cemetery are datable from:** second part of 19th century

25. **Tombstones and memorial markers are made of:**

- marble
- granite
- limestone
- sandstone

26. **The cemetery contains tombstones that are:**

- rough stones and boulders
- flat stones with carved relief decoration
- obelisks

27. The cemetery has tombstones:

- with traces of painting on their surfaces
- portraits on stones
- metal fences around graves

28. Inscriptions on tombstones are in:

- Hebrew
- Yiddish
- Russian

29. The cemetery contains special memorial monuments to:

- no special monuments

VI. Current Use of Cemetery Site

30. The present owner of the cemetery property is: the municipality

31. The cemetery property is now used for: Jewish cemetery use only

32. Properties adjacent to cemetery are: residential

33. Compared to 1939, the cemetery boundaries enclose: the same area

34. The cemetery is visited: rarely

35. The cemetery is visited by: private visitors (Jewish and non-Jewish)

VII. Care and Restoration of the Cemetery

36. The cemetery is known to have been vandalized: between 1945 and 1993

37. What care has been taken of the cemetery: no maintenance

38. If restoration has been carried out, who has responsible for the work:

39. If restoration work was carried out, when was it done:

40. How is the cemetery cared for now: not at all

41. If there is a caretaker, how is he paid: n/a. (no caretaker)

VIII. Structures

42. Within the limits of the cemetery: there are no structures

IX. Survey Background

43. Name, address and telephone numbers of persons completing this survey and visiting the site:

Name	Addres	Phone	Function
Bolbochan S.N.	st. Kishinev 2A, ap3	(373-264) 2-39-43	

X. Basis for completing the survey

44. Was the site visited for this survey: yes

44. a If yes, give the date of the visit: february 20, 2003

44. b Who visited the site:

Name	Phone	Function
Goldshmidt Efim	+(37322) 496716	Assistant of coordinator

45. Were interviews conducted for this survey: yes

XI. Comments and additional observations about the site

The situation on the cemetery is reasoned by the small number the community members.