



BURIAL AND MEMORIAL SITES

ISSUING OF AN INTERMENT RIGHT

The following Plain English Statement is provided by the cemetery authority as required by the *Burial and Cremation Act 2013*.

It is an important document. Please keep it with the original interment right.

This statement describes the terms and conditions for interment in a grave or memorial site at the cemetery noted below. This form must be completed and a signed copy of this document must be received by the cemetery authority before a grave or memorial can be used.

NAME OF THE INTERMENT RIGHT HOLDER(S) - In some circumstances two people may jointly hold the interment right

Name: Name:
Address: Address:
Contact number: Contact number:
Email: Email:

An Interment Right Holder has the right to decide who may be buried, have ashes placed or be memorialised in the interment site.

NAME OF CEMETERY:

Please tick selection:

- I/We will accept the next available grave or memorial position in our preferred section.
I/We or our funeral director will contact the cemetery to select a grave or memorial position.

SECTION (ie., Catholic, Orthodox, General. This may be known at the time of arranging a funeral)

An interment right will be issued by the cemetery authority for the interment site. The path and site number will be confirmed by the cemetery on the interment right. The interment right does not mean that the holder owns the land.

The cost of the interment right is \$.....(incl. GST) The interment right is issued for years
The interment right starts on (date)/...../..... The interment right expires on (date)/...../.....

- The interment right will be issued to the Interment Right Holder(s) by the cemetery authority after payment of the relevant fees.
The interment right may be sent via the funeral director who will pass it on to the Interment Right Holder.
The interment right cost does not cover other services such as for grave digging, burial, chapel, funeral director, headstone or memorial unless explicitly stated by the cemetery authority.
The interment right is subject to the conditions noted in this statement, the cemetery authority's operating policy and any cemetery rules or relevant laws in force during the term of the interment right.
Please note that the cemetery authority's operating policy, interment right conditions, policies and rules may change over time. The current version of these documents is available from the cemetery authority or on its website.

I have read and understand the interment rights and responsibilities on the reverse of this page.

NAME IN FULL:
SIGNATURE:
(date):/...../.....

NAME IN FULL:
SIGNATURE:
(date):/...../.....

WITNESS NAME IN FULL:

SIGNATURE: (date):/...../.....

INTERMENT RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Options for periodic payments (cash, credit card, and extended payment terms) may be available from the cemetery authority for the purchase of a burial or memorial interment right.
2. An interment right may be cancelled or transferred in accordance with the Burial and Cremation Act on compliance with any conditions set out in the cemetery authority's operating policy.
3. An interment right will be renewed on application by the Interment Right Holder and payment of the renewal fee fixed by the cemetery authority for a period of not less than 5 years. A person other than the person to whom the interment right was originally issued may apply for renewal of the interment right.
4. The rights granted to the Interment Right Holder may be exercised upon the death of the Interment Right Holder by the personal representative of the Interment Right Holder. If there is no personal representative of the Interment Right Holder then the interment right may be exercised by the spouse or domestic partner of the deceased Interment Right Holder. If there is no surviving spouse or domestic partner, the interment right may be exercised by the eldest living relative of the deceased Interment Right Holder in the following descending order of priority:
 - (a) a child;
 - (b) a grandchild or great-grandchild;
 - (c) a brother or sister;
 - (d) a parent;
 - (e) a grandparent;
 - (f) an aunt or uncle;
 - (g) a nephew or niece;
 - (h) a cousin;
 - (i) any other blood relative.
5. If an interment right is held by more than 1 person, it may be exercised or enforced jointly or severally.
6. The Interment Right Holder is responsible for maintaining memorials (including monuments and headstones) in a safe and proper condition. This is not the cemetery authority's responsibility. Under the Burial and Cremation Act, the cemetery authority has the power to require repair, removal, or reinstatement of an unsafe memorial by the owner of the memorial.
7. Where an interment right for a site has expired, the cemetery authority may dispose of unclaimed memorials in accordance with section 42 of the Burial and Cremation Act.
8. Where an interment right for a site has expired and not been renewed, the cemetery authority may reuse the grave or memorial site in accordance with the Burial and Cremation Act.
9. Cemeteries have specific requirements regarding the design of memorials. Consequently, memorials will require authorisation prior to installation. Some cemeteries are listed on the State Heritage Register and require memorials and alteration work to be approved by an appointed Heritage Advisor. This approval process will take time.