



Fees for Services

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**The Greater Metropolitan
Cemeteries Trust**
Lasting memories, peaceful places.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust acknowledges the Bunurong and Wurundjeri peoples of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we operate.

We pay our respect to their Elders, past, present, and emerging.



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Pricing Information

All prices are gazetted fees in accordance with the Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 (Vic).

A copy of the Act is available online at:
<https://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/in-force/acts/cemeteries-and-crematoria-act-2003/037>

This price list is accurate as of 1 July 2024. Please note that this list may be updated from time to time. Visit www.gmct.com.au to download the most recent version.

GMCT is a Class A Cemetery Trust regulated under the Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 (Vic) and accountable to the Department of Health, in accordance with section 39(2) of the Act and to the people of Victoria.

How GMCT is obliged to set product prices and fees for services

All prices in this list are set in accordance with requirements under the Act. In setting fees, GMCT must have regard to the following legislative requirements in accordance with section 39(2) of the Act:

39(2) In fixing fees and charges under this section, a cemetery trust must have regard to

- (a) the costs of operating and managing the public cemetery; and
- (ab) the fees and charges guidelines, if any; and
- (b) the need to provide for the maintenance of the public cemetery in perpetuity.

Right of interment fees (i.e. products) and stonemasonry permit fees are exempt from GST as per Division 81 of the Goods and Services Tax Act 1999.

Availability of product

Each right of interment is subject to availability at the cemetery or memorial park. Please note that not all services are available at all sites. Please confirm with our Customer Care team to ensure availability.

GMCT reserves the right to limit pre-need sales of rights of interment to ensure stock levels are available for at-need clients, or where burial areas are nearing capacity.

Payment requirements

GMCT has a no cash policy. Cash will not be accepted as a payment method.

Right of interment (ROI) can only be granted to a person when the ROI fee, including the non-refundable pre-purchase administration fee, has been paid in full.

Interment fees are required to be paid in full prior to the date of the interment, unless paid by a funeral director, where the agreed settlement terms with the funeral director applies.

No fee is payable for the right of interment certificate transfer when booking an at-need service or updating of the associated records.

Fee waiver or reduction

In accordance with section 44 of the Act, fees must not ordinarily be waived or reduced that would otherwise be payable to us. Situations of extreme financial hardship or special circumstance may be considered by us in accordance with the Act.

Refunds

Where a refund relates to a pre-purchased grave or memorial position (right of interment) the value of the refund is calculated in accordance with section 82(2) of the Act:

(a) "the cemetery trust must pay to the holder a refund based on the current cemetery trust fee payable for the same type of right of interment less the relevant cemetery trust fee for administration and any maintenance costs."

The administration fee (general) is gazetted in accordance with the Act.

The pre-purchase administration fee, paid at the time of the purchase of the right of interment, is non-refundable.

Weighted scale for the surrender of a right of interment

The weighted scale for maintenance costs is a sliding scale set by the Department of Health, Cemeteries and Crematoria regulation unit, with year one commencing from the date of issuance of the right of interment.

The scale is a % of the current fee where the % value increases each year on the anniversary date of the issuance of the right of interment.

Maintenance of memorials

The right of interment holder is responsible for maintaining any memorial established in a safe and proper condition.

GMCT is empowered through the Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003 to issue directions in relation to the maintenance of memorials and can take actions to render a memorial safe for GMCT staff and visitors. GMCT may seek consent of the Secretary of the Department of Health to repair or take down or dispose of a memorial and can seek costs and expense recovery from the right of interment holder.



PERPETUAL TENURE

Scale for the surrender of a right of interment for bodily and cremated remains.

Year	Maintenance charge
1	3.00%
2	4.75%
3	6.50%
4	8.25%
5	10.00%
6	11.75%
7	13.50%
8	15.25%
9	17.00%
10	18.75%
11	20.50%
12	22.25%
13	24.00%
14	25.75%
15	27.50%
16	29.25%
17	31.00%
18	32.75%
19	34.50%
20	36.25%
21	38.00%
22	39.75%
23	41.50%
24	43.25%
25	45.00%

25-YEAR (LIMITED) TENURE

Scale for the surrender of a right of interment for cremated remains.

Year	Maintenance charge
1	4.00%
2	8.00%
3	12.00%
4	16.00%
5	20.00%
6	24.00%
7	28.00%
8	32.00%
9	36.00%
10	40.00%
11	44.00%
12	48.00%
13	52.00%
14	56.00%
15	60.00%
16	64.00%
17	68.00%
18	72.00%
19	76.00%
20	80.00%
21	84.00%
22	88.00%
23	92.00%
24	96.00%
25	100.00%

Cremation services

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items		Price
Cremation including 1-hour chapel service <i>Available at Altona Memorial Park, Fawkner Memorial Park and Lilydale Memorial Park.</i>	Adult C-0007	\$1,230
	Child (1-12 yrs) C-0002 & C-0010	\$885
	Baby (0-1 yr) C-0001 & C-0010	\$490
Same day cremation. No chapel service. <i>Must arrive by 10.00am.</i>	Adult C-0004	\$1,095
	Child (1-12 yrs) C-0002	\$605
Next day or off-peak cremation <i>Off-peak rates only apply Monday to Friday. Witness cremations are not available in this fee. Cremation will be scheduled within one business day at our discretion in accordance with operational resources.</i>	Adult C-0005	\$1,010
	Child (1-12 yrs) C-0003	\$475
	Baby (0-1 yr) C-0001	\$210
Witnessing cremation C-0015 <i>Must be booked at least one business day in advance. Unavailable with next day or off-peak cremation.</i>		\$265
Additional urn MEM-0316 <i>Applies when dividing cremated remains into more than two urns. The cost of up to two urns is included in cost of cremation. This fee is charged for each additional urn (3 or more). By appointment.</i>		\$20
Collection of cremated remains <i>24 hours+ from cremation (Monday – Friday)</i>		\$0.00
<i>Less than 24 hours from cremation (picked up by 4.30pm) C-0012</i>		\$275
<i>Weekend or Public Holiday (by appointment only) C-0013</i>		\$285





Chapel hire

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items	Price
First hour chapel hire (or part thereof) C-0010 Available at: Altona Memorial Park, Fawkner Memorial Park, Lilydale Memorial Park, Preston Cemetery and Templestowe Cemetery.	\$280
Additional hour of chapel hire (or part thereof) C-0011 Available at: Altona Memorial Park, Fawkner Memorial Park, Lilydale Memorial Park, Preston Cemetery and Templestowe Cemetery.	\$195
Live streaming of chapel service C-0026 Available at: Altona Memorial Park, Fawkner Memorial Park and Lilydale Memorial Park. Access link will be emailed to the funeral director.	\$90

Cremation memorial interments

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items	Price
Scattering of cremated remains I-0002	\$165
Interment into garden, ground niche, or wall niche I-0003 to I-0007	\$295
Interment into a grave, such as lawn grave I-0009	\$350
Interment into mausoleum crypt I-0008	\$295
Disinterment of cremated remains I-0018 This service may incur additional fees depending on the memorial or grave type.	\$270
Temporary memorial marker MEM-0006 Fully personalised and valid for 12 months.	\$250
Attendance at interment of cremated remains I-0081	\$220

These service fees apply across all GMCT operated cemeteries, except for Footscray General Cemetery. Please refer to page 52 of Products and Prices 2024-25 for Footscray General Cemetery.

Burial grave interments

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items	Price
Lawn grave interment - adult I-0021	\$1,930
Lawn grave interment – child (0–12 years) I-0019	\$860
Monumental grave interment (adult or child) I-0023	\$2,175
Vault interment (adult or child) I-0026	\$2,380
Mausoleum crypt interment I-0027	\$1,585
Public grave – child (0–12 years) I-0029	\$475
Temporary grave marker MEM-0006	\$250

Fully personalised and valid for 12 months.





Additional burial services

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items	Price
Remove and replace ledger from monumental grave (standard) I-0092 <i>Ledgers will generally be removed one to two business days prior to the service and will be reinstated within one to two business days following the service.</i>	\$660
Remove chip top I-0038 <i>Replacement of chip top not included. Contact stonemasonry services.</i>	\$685
Adding concrete cap I-0048 <i>A concrete cap can assist in achieving regulations for burial depth.</i>	\$485
Exhumation – first I-0030	\$5,625
Exhumation – second and subsequent I-0031	\$4,215
Lift and re-position – first interment I-0032	\$5,540
Lift and re-position – second and subsequent interments I-0033	\$2,405
Remove and replace mausoleum shutter I-0035 <i>Required for plaque installation.</i>	\$320
Witness of grave backfill I-0091 <i>Must be booked at least 24 hours in advance.</i>	\$265
Grave digging – extra length or width I-0041 <i>Applicable when the coffin/casket exceeds 2200mm in length and/or 720mm in width.</i>	\$485
Pre-digging of grave I-0042	\$815
Sand backfill I-0043 <i>Backfill up to 10cm above coffin/casket.</i>	\$350
Grave timbers I-0044 <i>Suitable for Islamic burials.</i>	\$515
Widening of pre-dug grave I-0045	\$1,610
Cancellation of pre-dug grave I-0055	\$1,960

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Administration

All prices listed inclusive of GST.

Service items	Price
Administration fee for general purposes I-0049 <i>Applies to processing of refunds. All administration fees are non-refundable.</i>	\$235
Administration fee for pre-purchasing a grave, memorial or crypt I-0049 <i>Option to separately purchase temporary grave marker. All administration fees are non-refundable.</i>	\$235
Out of standard hours fee I-0054 <i>Applicable weekends and public holidays and to all services outside of 8.30am-4pm Monday to Fridays.</i>	\$745
Re-issue of certificate I-0057	\$30
Records search I-0058 <i>Online records can be searched free of charge. Visit www.gmct.com.au/deceased</i>	\$60
Cemetery to affix an externally-supplied plaque I-0037	\$300
Positioning Australian war grave plaque I-0046	\$45

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Additional documents from GMCT

Products and Prices 2024-25

Stonemasonry Permits 2024-25

Functions and Catering





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