



Stonemasonry Permits

JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025





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.



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%

Stonemasonry

All monumental stonemasons must:

- Be registered with GMCT, including Cm3 pre-qualification
- Obtain a permit prior to commencing work at any one of our cemeteries or memorial parks
- Not deviate from the approved permit. Where changes are required a new permit must be obtained
- Keep a photographic record showing the installation of foundations, footings and dowels (must produce to GMCT on request)

Permit conditions:

- Permits are valid for 12 months. Work must commence and be completed within 12 months
 - Permits are not transferable or refundable
- GMCT does not provide a warranty or otherwise guarantee the quality of workmanship on

behalf of the stonemason. We strongly recommend that customers research individual stonemasons and obtain multiple quotes before engaging a stonemason.

For a full list of registered stonemasons, go to: gmct.com.au/resources/headstone-monuments

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.





Stonemasonry permit fees

All prices listed are GST free.

Service items	Price
Additional inscription MA-0001	\$60
Additional inscription for contiguous grave MA-0002	\$40
Minor renovation MA-0003	\$190
Minor renovation for contiguous grave MA-0004	\$30
Major renovation MA-0005	\$465
Major renovation for contiguous grave MA-0006	\$90
Headstone with existing foundation MA-0007	\$465
Headstone with existing foundation for contiguous grave MA-0008	\$90
Headstone without existing foundation MA-0009	\$690
Headstone without existing foundation for contiguous grave MA-0010	\$185
Monument with foundation MA-0011	\$1,095
Monument with foundation for contiguous grave MA-0012	\$275
Monument without foundation MA-0013	\$1,235
Monument without foundation for contiguous grave MA-0014	\$300
Crypt shutter permit for monumental works MA-0015	\$290
Affixing plaque to existing base MA-0016	\$65
Installation of base and plaque MA-0017	\$280
Weekend or public holiday permit (up to 4 hours) MA-0018	\$290
Weekend or public holiday permit (more than 4 hours) MA-0019	\$430
Special memorial (plus disbursements) MA-0020	\$4,475
Additional inspection (per inspection) MA-0021	\$125

Additional documents from GMCT

Products and Prices 2024-25

Fees for Services 2024-25

Functions and Catering





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