

# Stonemasonry Permits

July 2025–June 2026



The Greater Metropolitan  
Cemeteries Trust





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 respects 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 [www.legislation.vic.gov.au/in-force/acts/cemeteries-and-crematoria-act-2003/037](http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/in-force/acts/cemeteries-and-crematoria-act-2003/037)

This price list is accurate as of 1 July 2025. Please note that this list may be updated from time to time. Visit [www.gmct.com.au](http://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 Client Services 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 percentage (%) of the current fee where the per cent (%) 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 [www.gmct.com.au/resources/headstone-monuments](http://www.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	\$195
Minor renovation for contiguous grave MA-0004	\$30
Major renovation MA-0005	\$475
Major renovation for contiguous grave MA-0006	\$90
Headstone with existing foundation MA-0007	\$475
Headstone with existing foundation for contiguous grave MA-0008	\$90
Headstone without existing foundation MA-0009	\$705
Headstone without existing foundation for contiguous grave MA-0010	\$190
Monument with foundation MA-0011	\$1,120
Monument with foundation for contiguous grave MA-0012	\$280
Monument without foundation MA-0013	\$1,265
Monument without foundation for contiguous grave MA-0014	\$310
Crypt shutter permit for monumental works MA-0015	\$295
Affixing plaque to existing base MA-0016	\$65
Installation of base and plaque MA-0017	\$285
Weekend or public holiday permit (up to 4 hours) MA-0018	\$295
Weekend or public holiday permit (more than 4 hours) MA-0019	\$440
Special memorial (plus disbursements) MA-0020	\$4,585
Additional inspection (per inspection) MA-0021	\$130

# Additional documents from GMCT

Refer below for all product and service fees applicable across GMCT locations or alternatively view via our website [www.gmct.com.au/products-services-and-prices](http://www.gmct.com.au/products-services-and-prices).

- Products and Prices 2025-26
- Fees for Services 2025-26
- Functions and Catering

All guides are effective from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.



### **Find out more**



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### **Office locations**

Altona Memorial Park

Fawkner Memorial Park

Lilydale Memorial Park

Keilor Cemetery

### **Social media**



[facebook.com/gmctmelbourne](https://facebook.com/gmctmelbourne)



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