

Interment Fees

For the financial Year 2018/19

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Introduction

The following pages stipulate our revised fees for the financial year beginning 1 April 2018 - 31 March 2019. From the close of business on 31 March 2015 the council ceased to offer a variable price for burial in a grave, all coffins will be buried at the maximum depth available in the plot. This is to optimise interment space in our cemeteries.

We aim to send out invoices at the beginning of each month and any late or outstanding payments may result in us declining interment bookings until the outstanding balances is paid.

Funeral directors that do not have a credit account with the council may arrange for interments and pay by cheque, no invoice will be supplied.

Non-resident Surcharge

Cemetery fees are subsidised at 50% for residents within the Wiltshire Council area, fees for non-residents are therefore doubled.

- An interment surcharge will apply where the deceased was not resident within the Wiltshire Council area at the time of their death.

However, if the individual was resident in the council's area, but not within the twelve months preceding death because specialist care was not available within Wiltshire Council's boundaries, they may be buried in our cemeteries at our resident's charge.

This also applies to any resident or former resident of Wiltshire Council who has died in during military service.

We may require evidence of any assertion to residential status.

- An Exclusive Right of Burial (EROB) surcharge will apply where the new (sole) owner is not a resident of the council area at the time of purchase.
- If exclusive rights are to be held by several individuals and at least one of these is resident within the council's area the resident's charge will apply.

Interment Bookings

We feel it necessary to clarify a number of minor points to ensure the smooth running of our service, to this end we ask that funeral directors provide us with the correct paperwork in an accurate and timely manner and point out:

1. That when we refer to the "time of interment", we mean the time that the funeral party and coffin should be on site and ready to proceed, arriving early does not mean we will be able to carry out the interment early and a late arrival could have a detrimental impact on the proceedings.
2. We do not carry out interments at weekends or Bank Holidays. The only exception to this would be in the case of a public health Issue. Additional charges will be applicable for services provided outside of normal published times.
3. The team accept provisional bookings by email in the first instance; however, confirmation is dependent on receipt of the relevant paperwork and disposal documents and must be in our hands by noon three clear working days before the date of interment. **Failure to comply may result in the booking not being finalised, additional charges or even cancellation.**

Scale of Fees

Note: in the event of any amendments to the interment application after we have received it, may result in additional administration charges.

Exclusive Rights of Burial (EROB)

Description	Price	Notes
Grave (Coffin) for 40 years	£722.00	
Grave (Coffin) extension 10 years	£180.50	You may extend exclusive rights in increments of ten years up to a maximum of 100 years.
Grave for 40 years (Child)	£364.00	Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age. This rate is only available in cemeteries that have a children's section.
Grave extension (Child) 10 years	£91.00	You may extend exclusive rights in increments of ten years up to a maximum of 100 years.
Ashes plot 40 years	£364.00	
Ashes plot extension 10 years	£91.00	You may extend exclusive rights in increments of ten years up to a maximum of 100 years.

Burial in a grave

Description	Price	Notes
Burial of a body (coffin)	£805.00	
Burial of a child (coffin)	No charge	Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age..
Large Coffin Surcharge	£221.00	Coffins or caskets longer than 80 inches or wider than 28 inches will be defined as " large " and be subject to this surcharge.

Burial of cremated remains

Description	Price	Notes
Burial of a body (Ashes)	£273.00	Pouring of ashes onto or into a grave carries the same charge.
Burial of a child (Ashes)	No charge	Definition of a child is being less than fifteen years of age.

Use of chapels at Bradford on Avon, Trowbridge or Westbury

Description	Price	Notes
Use of chapel	£140.00	Hymnbooks are available on request.

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