# **FACT SHEET**

Cemeteries Rules, Regulations and Conditions of Use





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Keeping our cemeteries safe and tidy is a big task and one that we can't do without your assistance.

#### PLEASE DON'T LITTER

There are bins located throughout all of the cemeteries. When visiting we ask your assistance in removing withered and weathered tributes and placing them within the rubbish bins.

# FLORAL TRIBUTES

We welcome floral tributes but respectfully request that visitors consider the placement of fresh or dried floral tributes. Artificial tributes are generally not able to be recycled and as such, present an environmental issue. Fresh tributes will, over time, biodegrade.

Please ensure that tributes do not encroach on the memorial or burial locations of neighbouring families. For maintenance of the grounds Council may remove and dispose of flowers and tributes on a regular basis. Tributes or ornaments of any kind are not permitted to be placed on the ground in lawn sections or outside the perimeter of kerbed or full monumental graves.

# USE OF OUR VASES ONLY

Recyclable vases are available for use at each cemetery. These vases are free to use within the grounds and easily located in bins near the cemetery gates. When you have finished with these vases we ask that they be returned so others may use them. Any other unauthorised vases, vessels or glass iars may be removed and disposed of by council.

# CARE OF MEMORIALS OR ORNAMENTATION

Headstones, monuments and memorials must be installed by an approved qualified stonemason unless otherwise approved in writing from council. Families are not permitted to install paving or extend areas around the perimeter of graves as these may create a tripping hazard to visitors.

To the extent permitted by law, council is not responsible for the maintenance or repair of any Memorial or Ornamentation.

### PROHIBITED ITEMS

The placement of alcohol, glass or dangerous items onto any grave, memorial or monument is strictly prohibited. Items are not to be placed, glued or otherwise attached to any Memorial wall or garden kerbing. Items that are considered a safety hazard or are considered to be unsightly, weathered or items that detract from the natural beauty of the grounds (in the opinion of the cemetery provider) will be removed and disposed of.

#### LANDSCAPING

Landscaping is a Council responsibility. We welcome constructive input and suggestions however we prohibit any person to plant, place or remove any grass, shrub, tree or any other structure without prior written consent from council.

We take all reasonable care for the safety of visitors to the Cemetery grounds, it is the responsibility of those visitors to ensure their own safety and the protection of their possessions. We are not liable for personal injury, property damage or theft that occurs within the grounds unless solely caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of our employees or agents.

#### **FEEDBACK**

We welcome your feedback. If you have any compliments, suggestions or feedback about our grounds or services please contact us on 46771100 or cemeteries@wollondilly.nsw.gov.au