



Grant of Right of Burial

What is a Grant of Right of Burial?

The Grant of Right of Burial is the agreement over a burial plot or niche wall cavity. This agreement allows the Grantee, holder of the Grant of Right of Burial, the right to inter ashes, conduct a burial and erect a monument within the plot.

The Grantee is the person the Shire liaises with on all matters relating to the plot or cavity it refers to and as such is considered a legal document. We recommend you keep this with your will and/or other personal documents.



Can I transfer the Grant of Right of Burial?

Yes, the Grant of Right of Burial can be transferred. The transfer will require a small fee and completion of a transfer form.



How long does the Grant of Right of Burial last?

Typically the expiry is set at 25 years with the right to renew for a further 25 years. By mutual agreement with the Shire you can continue to renew your Grant of Right of Burial in 25 year lots.

At this time there is no charge for renewing your Grant however Shire fees and charges are reviewed annually. Please check our current fees and charges.

Does it matter if it expires?

The Grant of Right of Burial must be current to:

- Conduct a burial
- For additional interments
- Place or modify a monumental work

When the Grant of Right of Burial expires the plot or cavity ownership reverts back to the Shire of Wickepin.



If ownership reverts back to the Shire what will happen to my loved one?

At this point the Shire has no plans of relocating or removing the remains of your loved ones. Where this may happen such as revamping the niche walls, every effort will be made to contact known family.