

Rules and Regulations for the Erection of Monuments

Administered by the Dublin Cemeteries Committee operating as Dublin Cemeteries Trust.

1. Monumental Firms must be registered with Dublin Cemeteries Trust with the required documentation approved, including the Contractors Code of Practice.
2. All plans for monuments proposed to be erected in Dublin Cemeteries Trust locations or for any additions thereto or alterations therein, shall be accompanied by an application for permission to erect same, signed by the owner or in the event of their being deceased by the owners next of kin stating their relationship to the owner (DCC1, DCC" and DCC3). It must be specifically stated on the plans the material of which proposed monument is to be composed. In the case the plan approved of if proposed to be varied in the execution of the monument or otherwise a new plan, in like manner be submitted for approval.
3. Duplicate sketches or tracings drawn at one inch to the foot scale (2.54cm to .3048m) of the plan of every monument to be erected in the particular Cemetery or of any addition thereto or alteration therein, together with the proposed inscription or any addition to any existing inscription shall be furnished to the Committee for their approval. The plans must show distinctly both a front and side view of the proposed monument and have inserted thereon the letter to be engraved contain particulars materially at variance with any entry recorded in the Register Books such as inscriptions must be submitted to the Board for adjudication.
4. All monuments must be erected on a base stone and sub-base. The maximum height of monument in our Cemeteries varies (sometimes by section).

Dardistown Cemetery

All monuments must be erected on a base stone 1220mm x 450mm x 100mm.
Sub-base max height of 100mm. The maximum height of monument shall be 2134mm (In St. Margaret's and St. Nicholas Sections only); minimum height 600mm excluding base and sub-base.

Palmerstown Cemetery

All monuments must be erected on a base stone 1220mm x 450mm x 100mm.
Sub-base max height of 100mm. The maximum height of monument shall be 2134mm; minimum height 600mm excluding base and sub-base.

Newlands Cross Cemetery

All monuments must be erected on a base stone 1200mm x 450mm x 100mm. Sub base max height of 100mm. The maximum height of monument shall be 952mm. minimum height 600mm excluding base and sub-base.

Glasnevin Cemetery

St. Patricks / St. Bridgets / St. Pauls

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 2ft (60.96cm) wide

Capacity: Minimum of 2 burials

Kerbing: Not allowed on single graves 8ft (243.84cm) long x 4ft (121.92cm) wide

St. Mobhi Section

Landscaped and grassed section.

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 3ft (91.4cm) wide

All bases: 36" (91.4cm) long x 10" (25.4cm) wide (max), there is no stipulation on height of the base. Maximum height 98" (2489 mm)

Capacity: Minimum of 3 burials

Kerbing: Not allowed

Old Finglas Section

This section is designed, even though new, to reflect the older sections in the cemetery by only having Celtic Cross as the monuments allowed.

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 4ft (121.92cm) wide

All bases: 48" (121.9cm) long x 12" (30.5cm) wide (max), there is no stipulation on height of the base.

Capacity: Minimum of 4 burials

Kerbing: Compulsory on all graves, minimum dimension of kerbing 4"x 4" (50mm)

Monument: Must be Celtic Cross, maximum height 98" (2489 mm)

Glasnevin (Conservation Areas) – also includes Goldenbridge

DOFF Integra Works must be used in Conservation Sections Glasnevin and Goldenbridge

DOFF cleans stonework and masonry using high-temperature steam.

Whilst the temperature in the system is high, the pressure on the surface being cleaned is very gentle and the volume of water is low. The surface is therefore not saturated and will be dry within minutes.

Garden

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 2ft (60.96cm) wide

Capacity: Minimum of 2 burials

Kerbing: Not allowed

Monument: Must be non-polished limestone/granite (including bases and sub-base)

South New Chapel / Dublin New Chapel

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 4ft (121.92cm) wide

Capacity: Minimum of 2 burials

Kerbing: Compulsory on all graves, minimum dimension of kerbing 4"x 4" (50mm)

Monument: Must be non-polished limestone/granite (including bases and sub-base)

South / Dublin /Garden / St. Bridgets (Conservation Sections - Prospect Gate to A.I. St. Bridgets) and Goldenbridge Cemetery

Grave size: 8ft (243.84cm) long x 2ft (60.96cm) wide

Capacity: Minimum of 2 burials

Kerbing: Not allowed

Monument: Must be non-polished limestone/granite (including bases and sub-base)

5. The erection of monuments in Dublin Cemeteries Trust locations is permitted on the distinct understanding that they shall be kept continuously good order, condition and repair by the registered owner of the right of burial, his or her legal representative or devisee, for the time being, in the place of burial on which such monument is erected.
6. All monuments which have been allowed to fall into decay and present a dilapidated and unsightly appearance will be removed by the Trust.
7. No Bath, Caen Portland and other soft stone will be allowed in the construction of monuments. All monuments must be doweled. Only brass or stainless steel dowels may be used. The minimum length of dowels to be 150mm.
8. Every monument erected must have legibly and deeply engraved on the front of the base the letter and number distinguishing the place of burial on which it is to be erected and no monument will be allowed to be erected unless such distinguishing letter and number shall have been engraved. Monumental sculptors may inscribe their trademark or name on the base, but no further information is permitted.
9. No monument will be admitted into Dublin Cemeteries Trust cemeteries until the Applications have been approved and a Permit presented.

Items that do not need a permit -

- Photographs
- Temporary Monuments not requiring a foundation (Hearts/Vases/Flower Holders/small monuments)
- Plaques
- Chippings
- Re-paints
- Repair works
- Remedial works to already permitted jobs

Please notify the Manager / Grounds Supervisor of the relevant graves numbers for these when accessing each site.

10. No monument shall be erected in Trust cemeteries without a permit, which must be produced at the offices/access point prior to work taking place within the cemetery. The persons to whom permits are issued will be held responsible for any damage that may occur during the execution of the works.
11. No monument shall be erected in the Glasnevin Trust Cemeteries without having suitable foundations built to support same. All building and other works beneath the surface shall be executed by the workman employed by the Committee under the supervision of the Registrar; and the cost or charge of all such building or work must be disbursed prior to the erection of the monument. Please note that the cost of foundations is not included in the purchase of the grave and will only be applied when needed to erect a headstone on the grave. Foundations in Dardistown, Palmerstown, Newlands Cross and certain sections in Glasnevin are pre-laid and will be charged for at the time of applying for a permit.
12. Every headstone must be accurately constructed within the dimensions of the place of burial for indicated in the approved application.
13. No stonework forming portion of any monument proposed to be placed in Trust cemeteries having water lines or other defects will be permitted to be used.

14. No iron, metal or wooden monument, nor kerbing, crossed or structure of any kind shall be erected, deposited or placed on any burial place in the Trust's cemeteries.
15. In no case shall any monument in Trust cemeteries be cleaned or otherwise renovated; nor shall any addition to an existing inscription under any circumstance be made without approval of application and the issuing of a permit for works to proceed.
16. Work will only be permitted within the cemetery **between 9.30am and 3.00pm. Monday to Friday only** and not at any other time except with the permission of Dublin Cemeteries Trust.
17. The hewing of stone or of any portion of a monument within the grounds of the Cemetery is strictly prohibited.
18. Every stonemason or any person executing any work in the Trusts cemeteries (and not employed by Dublin Cemeteries Trust) must while so engaged have continuously in his possession and produce to any official of Dublin Cemeteries Trust whenever demanded during the progress of such work the permit authorising the execution of the work; and no stonemason or other person shall under any circumstance or pretext be allowed to execute and work whatsoever in the Trust's cemeteries in violation of this rule.
19. The depositing or placing on burial places of artificial flowers or wreaths, whether under or without glass or plastic or in cases or in the like fragile decorations is prohibited by Dublin Cemeteries Trust. Fresh flowers will be allowed at the base of the monument.
20. All additional inscriptions must be signed by the applicant, who must be the registered owner or in the event of the owner being deceased must be his/her next of kin furnishing details if their relationship to the deceased owner.
21. No photography permitted in the Trust's cemeteries without the express permission of Dublin Cemeteries Trust.
22. Inscriptions may only be cut on the front of monuments, unless approved by Dublin Cemeteries Trust.