

# CEMETERY



## Memorial Specifications Guideline

The purpose of this guideline is to provide details of the allowable styles and dimensions of permanent memorials that may be constructed and installed within Council operated cemeteries.

This Guideline should be read in conjunction with Mareeba Shire Council's *Cemetery Terms and Conditions*.

### LAWN (GRAVE) PLAQUE ON BEAM

The permitted memorial in the Lawn (Grave) Plaque on Beam section is brown, bronze plaque attached to the common concrete beam at the head of the grave. Plaques must be laid flat on the concrete beam. Headstones are not permitted in this section of the cemetery.

Maximum dimensions for a bronze plaque on beam:  
**height 279mm x width 381mm.**

In addition, a brown, bronze niche plaque may be attached directly to the beam, if required after subsequent interment of ashes.

### LAWN (GRAVE) HEADSTONE ON BEAM

The permitted memorial in the Lawn (Grave) Headstone on Beam section is an upright headstone or pillar monument installed on the common concrete beam at the head of the grave.

Maximum dimensions for a headstone on beam: **height 700mm, width 1200mm, depth 300mm.**

In addition, a brown, bronze niche plaque may be attached directly to the beam, if required after subsequent interment of ashes.

### ANGELS REST

The permitted memorial in the Angels Rest section is an upright headstone or pillar monument installed on the common concrete beam at the head of the grave.

Maximum dimensions for an Angel's Rest headstone on beam:  
**height 550mm, width 550mm, depth 170mm.**

A brown, bronze memorial plaque may be permanently attached to the headstone or pillar.

In addition, a brown, bronze niche plaque may be attached directly to the beam, if required after subsequent interment of ashes.

### FULL GRAVE SLAB

The permitted memorial in the Full Grave Slab section is the construction of the concrete slab that covers up to the full surface of the allotment and an upright headstone.

Maximum dimensions for a single full grave slab:  
**length 2700mm** (including 2400mm for slab and 150mm for skirt at head and foot);  
**width 1500mm** (including 1200mm for slab and 150mm for skirt at left and right sides);  
**height 1200mm** (inclusive of slab and headstone).

Maximum dimensions for a double full grave slab:  
**length 2700mm** (including 2400mm for slab and 150mm for skirt at head and foot);  
**width 3400mm** (including 1200mm for each slab, 700mm build over path; 150mm for skirt at left and right sides);  
**height 1200mm** (inclusive of slab and headstone).

Maximum dimensions for a headstone on single full grave slab: **width 1200mm; depth 300mm; height 1200mm** (inclusive of slab and headstone).

Maximum dimensions for a headstone on double full grave slab: **width 3100mm; depth 300mm; height 1200mm** (inclusive of slab and headstone).

## VAULT ABOVE & BELOW GROUND

The permitted memorial in the vault section is the construction of a concrete vault that sits above or partially below ground level.

Maximum dimensions for a single vault:

**length 3090mm** (including 2600mm for vault, 45mm for granite and gap at head and foot, and 200mm for skirt at head and foot);

**width 1540mm** (including 1050mm for vault, 45mm for granite and gap on right and left sides, and 200mm for skirt on right and left sides);

**above ground height 2200mm** (including headstone and 725mm vault.)

Maximum dimensions for a double vault:

**length 3100mm** (including 2600mm for vault, 50mm for granite and gap at head and foot, and 200mm for skirt at head and foot);

**width 2600mm** (including 1050mm for each vault, 50mm for granite and gap on right and left sides, and 200mm for skirt on right and left sides);

**above ground height 2200mm** (including headstone and 725mm vault.)

## COLUMBARIUM WALL & NICHE PLAQUE

Columbarium walls are constructed by Council to the specifications below.

**Mareeba New Cemetery and Dimbulah Cemetery –**  
Columbarium Wall (single niche): **height 95mm; width 125mm; length 235mm.**

Columbarium Wall (double niche): **height 175mm; width 125mm; length 235mm.**

### Kuranda Cemetery

Columbarium Wall (single niche): **height 95mm; width 145mm; length 240mm.**

Columbarium Wall (double niche): **height 175mm; width 120mm; length 240mm.**

The permitted memorial for the Columbarium Walls is a brown, bronze niche plaque permanently attached to the wall.

Dimensions for a single niche plaque: **width 137mm, height 102mm.**

Dimensions for a dual backing plate: **width 165mm; height 229mm.**

Dimensions for a detachable plate to suit dual back plate: **width 165mm; height 229mm.**

Up to two small vases may be supplied and permanently attached to the niche plaque by Council.

## MAUSOLEUM WALL

Mausoleum walls are constructed by Council to the specifications below. A marble fascia for the mausoleum wall niche is included with the purchase of the interment right.

### Mareeba New Cemetery

Mausoleum Wall 1 (Individual Niche): **height 500mm; width 800mm; length 2200mm.**

Mausoleum Walls 2-6 (Individual Niche): **height 600mm; width 800mm; length 2500mm.**

### Dimbulah New Cemetery

Mausoleum Walls 1 & 2 (Individual Niche): **height 600mm; width 800mm; length 2500mm.**

## MAUSOLEUM (HOUSE) FREE STANDING

Mausoleum (house) free standing structures are privately owned and constructed, above ground buildings that can accommodate the interment of human remains.

Mausoleum (house) free standing structures fall within the definition of a building under the relevant Australian Standard and as such must comply with the Standard's requirements.

Mausoleum free standing structures must also be built in accordance with Mareeba Shire Council's mandatory building specifications below that support structural soundness and durability and reduce future maintenance.

**Roof** – The roof construction must be of concrete slab with concrete finish. No additional cladding materials are permitted e.g. tiles.

**Walls** – External wall construction must be reinforced concrete masonry block with a suitable maintenance free finish e.g. face brick, stone veneer cladding. It is not permissible to paint external walls.

**Internal layout** – Providing the external structure has met Australian Standards and Council’s mandatory building specifications, the internal layout can be designed as required.

#### **Mareeba New Cemetery**

Slab size and offset – Maximum footprint of slab:  
**width 3600mm, length 4800mm.**

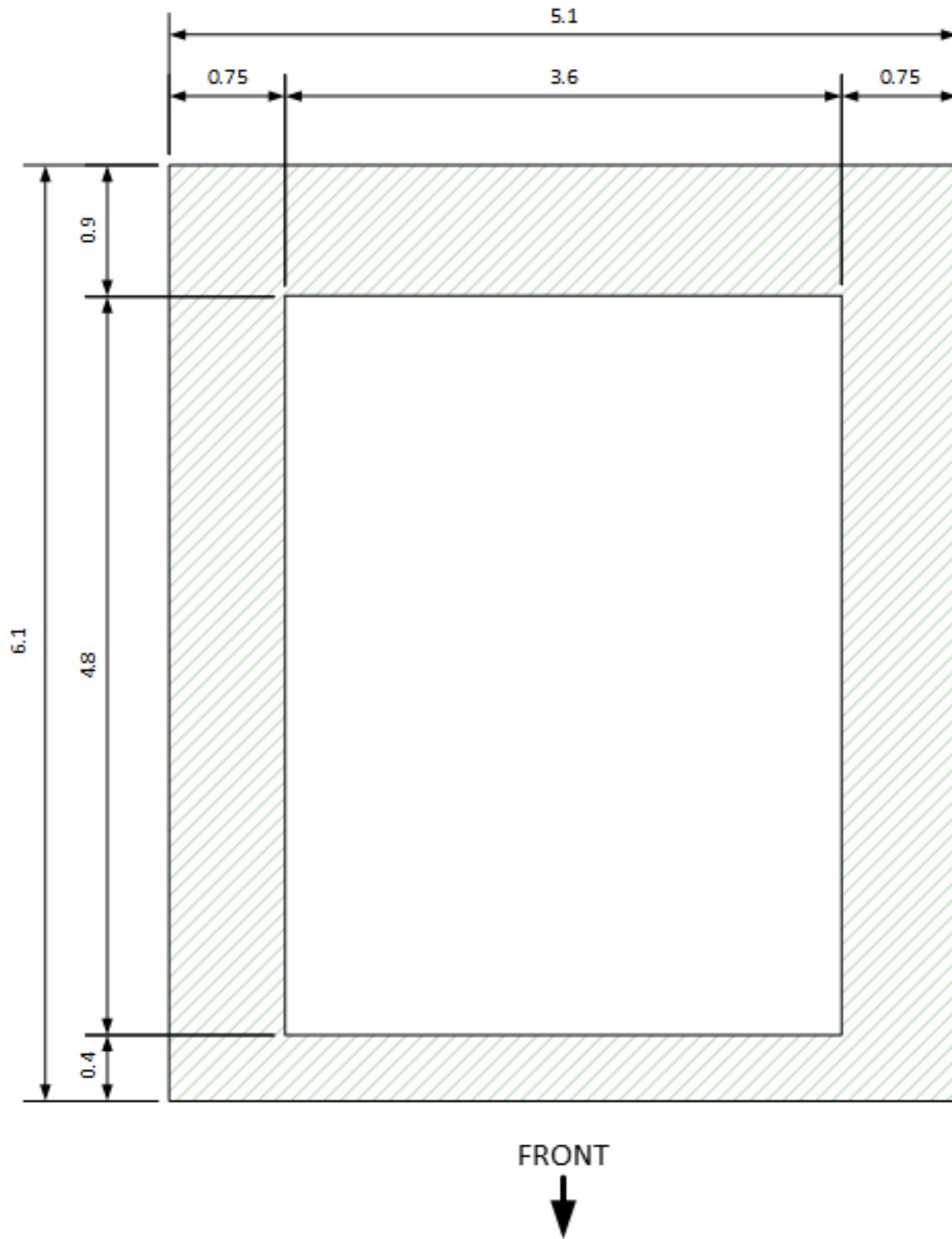
The structure is to be offset on the plot by the following minimums: **rear 900mm, sides 750mm, front 400mm.**  
Refer to diagram below.

#### **Dimbulah Cemetery**

Slab size and offset – Maximum footprint of slab:  
**width 3600mm, length 4800mm.**

The structure is to be offset on the plot by the following minimums: **rear 700mm, sides 700mm, front 0mm.**  
Refer to diagram below

## Mareeba New Cemetery – Free Standing Mausoleum Specifications



Dimbulah Cemetery – Free Standing Mausoleum Specifications

