

Australian Capital Territory

Cemeteries and Crematoria (Public Cemetery Fees) Determination 2016 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2016–108

made under the

Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003, Section 49 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2003* (the Act) regulates the operation of cemeteries and crematoria. Section 49 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

Public cemeteries and crematoria are managed by the ACT Public Cemeteries Authority (the Authority). The Authority is required to operate on a sound financial basis.

This determination revokes the previous fee determination (DI2015-299) that set fees for the 2015-2016 financial year and establishes fees from 1 July 2016.

The determination increases fees by 2 per cent in accordance with the Wage Price Index, consistent with the Government's announcement, made as part of the 2006/2007 ACT Budget. The increased fee is rounded for cash handling purposes.

The fee for Slabs and Bricks for Islamic Graves has increased by 21% to reflect the actual cost of purchase to the Cemeteries Authority.

Two new services have been introduced in relation to the interment of ashes in the natural burial area and the construction of the private mausoleum.

The determination takes effect on 1 July 2016.