

Mosside Presbyterian Church

Graveyard Rules and Regulations

1. The graveyard is the exclusive property of the trustees of Mosside Presbyterian Church.
2. The graveyard is a place of interment, chiefly for those who at the time of their decease are or have been a contributing member of the congregation for a period of at least 5 years.
3. Burial plots shall be allocated at the discretion of the Congregational Committee of Mosside Presbyterian Church {"The Committee"}. The appropriate registration fee is to be paid to the Committee when the burial plot is allocated. {Interment fees should be collected by the Undertaker}
4. **NO** grave is to be opened without the permission in writing of The Committee.
5. The Committee will maintain a register of holders of burial plots.
6. A registered plot holder who is a member of the congregation, for the purpose of the graveyards rules, as detailed in Rule 2, has permission to bury an immediate family member in their burial plot, subject to the administration charges. For the purpose of the graveyard rules immediate family member is defined as husband, wife, mother, father, son, daughter, brother or sister.
7. **NO** headstone or memorial shall be erected without the permission of The Committee and all such memorials must be of a type and erected in a manner to satisfy The Committee. Details of the wording and type of headstone must be submitted to The Committee for approval before erection takes place. **NO** shrubs or trees are to be planted on any burial plot.
8. As regards a plot where there has been an interment, the person who is the next of kin shall be the representative recognised by The Committee and The Committee will make every effort to consult with that person; but that person shall not have the rights to change the name of the plot holder of the said ground without the authority of The Church Committee.
9. All paper, plastic, withered flowers, broken pots etc. must be disposed of in the bins provided.
10. Flowers and silk wreaths should be removed when they become withered or discoloured or they will be removed by the ground staff.
11. The minister of the church shall have the right to officiate at all services of burial; but may delegate this at his discretion to someone else.
12. The Committee, after consultation with the Trustees shall appoint someone at their discretion to take charge of the graveyard in accordance with these rules but those appointed are answerable to The Committee.

13. For the avoidance of doubts **No** burial plot is owned by any person or persons or body other than the Church who may authorise the use of the plot in accordance with Rule 3 and 5.
14. The Committee cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to memorials erected by the holders of burial plots. It is also required that holders of such plots keep them neat and tidy.
15. Contractors or other persons erecting a headstone or surround, or making alterations to burial plots must contact the Committee prior to commencement of the work. All surplus materials must be removed from the graveyard and the contractors will be held responsible for any damage caused to the graveyard.
16. The Committee will reserve the right at a properly constituted meeting to amend, alter, revise or repeal any of these rules and regulations and amend fees as appropriate.
17. The graveyard is for the interment of human remains only.
18. In all cases of dispute concerning allocation of graves or management of the graveyard, the decision of The Committee is final.

Schedule for fees. 4th April 2016

Registration of new grave.	£120.00
Administration fee. This is a fee that is charged each time a grave is opened (Interment fee).	£ 80.00