



## Circular to Ministers and Churchwardens

### Regulations for Columbaria

1. The Property Trust has developed a set of regulations for the use of columbaria on church land in the Diocese of Sydney. The Archbishop and the trustees of church trust property have power to make regulations under clause 14(C) of the Church Grounds and Buildings Ordinance 1990. The trustees of a columbarium are generally the minister and churchwardens of the church in which grounds the columbarium is located. A copy of the regulations is attached.
2. The regulations have been approved by the Property Trust and The Archbishop and apply to any right granted or agreed to be granted on or after *1 July 2002*.
3. As trustees of your columbarium wall you may already have regulations in place which are operating effectively and meet the needs of all involved. In this case you may continue to use your current regulations if you wish.
4. If however you have no regulations governing the use of your columbarium wall or wish to change the regulations you should consider adopting and using the attached regulations. The name of your church can be inserted into the regulations and the regulations reproduced on your church letterhead to be issued to persons when purchasing a niche.
5. Receipts issued for the payment of a niche should include the words "the grant of this right is subject to the terms of the attached regulations" and a copy of the regulations attached to the receipt.
6. Further copies of the regulations are available from the diocesan website [www.sydney.anglican.asn.au/synod](http://www.sydney.anglican.asn.au/synod) in Acrobat PDF and as a Microsoft Word document via email request to [infosec@sydney.anglican.asn.au](mailto:infosec@sydney.anglican.asn.au)

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