

Being a grave property holder

Information from
Malmö Graveyard Administration



RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GRAVE PROPERTY HOLDER

In the grave book we register who holds the grave property.

According to the Funeral Act, a deceased person cannot be a grave property holder. In the event of death, a new grave property holder must be reported.

What does becoming a grave property holder mean?

Only the person registered in the grave book as the grave property holder can make decisions about the grave:

- who is to be buried in the grave site
- the appearance of any tombstone within the framework of the lessee's regulations
- on the decoration and arrangement of the grave area in general
- on the transfer or return of the grave site.

Who may become a grave property holder?

Those who are relatives or otherwise closely related to the grave property holder or those buried on the site, may become grave property holders. If several grave property holders exist, one of them should be named contact person. However, the grave property holders have all a responsibility regarding the grave site.

If a grave property holder dies

When a grave property holder dies, the relatives must notify the Graveyard Administration of the new grave property holder(s) within six months.

Upon change of address

It is important that the Graveyard Administration receives information regarding change of address and to which grave site(s) it applies.

To maintain the grave yourself or receive assistance?

As a grave property holder you are required to maintain the grave site. If you would like to receive help with the maintenance, the Graveyard Administration offers grave maintenance according to a special price list. Please, contact us for further information about prices etc.

FUNERAL BUSINESS IN MALMÖ

The Graveyard Administration within the Church of Sweden in Malmö is in charge of the funeral business in Malmö. There are 18 graveyards in Malmö, including grave areas for other religions and beliefs, such as areas for Muslims.

Funeral director

A special funeral commissioner is appointed by the county administrative board and monitors the rights of those who do not belong to the Church of Sweden.

What is included in the funeral fee?

Everyone who is nationally registered in Sweden pays a funeral fee by taxation. It includes the following, regardless of where in the country the funeral takes place:

- Grave in a public graveyard during a time period of 25 years.
- Burial including grave opening, refilling and preparation.
- Cremation.

- Transport of the coffin/urn from the time the Graveyard Administration takes over responsibility for the ashes until burial takes place, if the deceased is registered in Malmö municipality.

Transports to and within other municipalities are the responsibility of the relatives.

- Room for storage and display of the ashes, burial ground.
- Room for funeral ceremony without religious symbols.

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MALMÖ GRAVEYARD ADMINISTRATION

Customer service:

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