



Guidance for Burials on Private Land

Burials on private land are permitted in the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area where the following requirements can be met:

- The land is zoned RU2 Rural Landscape and equal to or greater than 5 hectares
- Bodies must be placed in a coffin prior to burial and buried at a minimum depth of 900 millimetres.
- The selected location does not impact upon any water sources

A [Development Application](#) is required to obtain approval for burial on private land and include:

- A plan of the property showing the burial site and distance in metres to boundary fences, waterways and existing buildings. This plan does not need to be professionally drawn, but must be clear and drawn to scale
- Details of burial site demonstrating compliance to the *Public Health Regulation 2012* and Australian Standard (AS 4425-1996)
- A geotechnical investigation by a suitably qualified consultant may be requested if there are potential water contamination issues from the proposed burial
- The development application will assess considerations such as permanent access to the burial site, concurrence of adjoining properties, fencing to delineate the boundaries and grave markings.

For more information on private burials please refer to the [NSW Health Website](#) and guidance document [Guidance for Burials on Private Land](#).