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# TAFE NSW – Northern Sydney Institute

# SAFE GRAVE TECHNIQUES

SIFOHS001A – Follow OHS procedures  
SIFOHS007A – Identify hazards and risks in a cemetery or crematorium  
SIFBCR017A – Prepare for gravedigging  
SIFBCR018A – Backfill and make good graves  
SIFBCR020A – Dig a grave manually  
SIFBCR023A – Dig a grave using machinery  
SIFBCR021A – Consolidate collapsed graves

## Statement of Attainment in Safe Grave Techniques

**TAFE NSW COURSE NO 19441**

**(A skill set from SIF08: Funeral Services Training Package)**

Northern Sydney Institute offers training for people employed as gravediggers or who perform work in related roles. Our 3 day Safe Grave Techniques training includes two days of tuition and practical activities and one day of formal assessment.

In addition to OHS legislation and codes of practice within the funeral services industry, this skills set provides specialist technical skills and knowledge necessary to prepare for gravedigging, backfill and make good graves, dig a grave manually and using machinery, and consolidate collapsed graves.

Completion of this Statement of Attainment provides credit towards a SIF30208 Certificate III in Gravedigging, Grounds and Maintenance and CIII in Cemetery and Crematorium Operations SIF30108.

### Content:

- assess a gravesite for the appropriate gravedigging method and prepare the site for digging or reopening according to work requirements
- backfill graves and make good gravesites following burials or grave reopenings working under supervision as part of a team with some responsibility
- manually dig and reopen graves in a safe manner and assess gravesites to minimise the risk of grave collapse
- use machinery to dig or reopen a grave in a safe manner and assess gravesite to minimise the risk of grave collapse
- identify the cause of a grave collapse, make safe the ground surrounding the grave and consolidate a collapsed grave safely

COURSE LENGTH	TRAINING DATES	ASSESSMENT DATE	PREREQUISITES	VENUE	Price PP
3 DAYS 8.00-4.30	20 and 21 May	23 June	See over	Rookwood	\$1650.00
3 DAYS 8.00-4.30	5 and 6 August	1 September	See over	Rookwood	\$1650.00

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## Entry Requirements

Current qualifications to operate a front-end loader and a backhoe and/or excavator. Those with operator experience but without a current qualification may use a WorkCover logbook to operate a front-end loader and a backhoe and/or excavator under supervision. Certified copies of certificates or logbook will be required before course commencement and the originals brought to training.

## Pre-requisites

None

## Equipment Required

All participants must be equipped with personal protective clothing (eg sun hat, safety glasses/goggles, ear protection, safety boots, dust mask/respirator, wet weather clothing, gloves, sunscreen, water bottle and a high visibility vest/shirt.)

NB Minimum numbers for course to proceed is six.

## More information

For more information on this course – call 9448 6301 during business hours

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