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## Statement of Attainment in Safe Grave Techniques

**TAFE NSW COURSE NO: 19441**

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

- SIFOHS001A – Follow OHS procedures
- SIFOHS007A – Identify hazards and assess 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

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

In addition to OHS legislation and codes of practice within the funeral services industry, this skill 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

- SIF30208 – Certificate III in Gravedigging, Grounds and Maintenance
- SIF30108 – Certificate III in Cemetery and Crematorium Operations.

### 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 burial or grave reopening.
- Working under supervision as part of a team with some responsibility.
- Manually dig and reopen graves in a safe manner and assess gravesite 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 the ground surrounding the grave safe and consolidate a collapsed grave safely.

COURSE LENGTH	TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT DATE	PREREQUISITES	VENUE	PRICE*
3 Days	Contact Ryde College for next available date	See over	Sydney Metro	\$1050

\* Per person price

**BRADFIELD**  
192 Pacific Highway  
Crows Nest NSW 2065

**CROWS NEST**  
149 West Street  
Crows Nest NSW 2065

**HORNSBY**  
205 Pacific Highway  
Hornsby NSW 2077

**MEADOWBANK**  
See Street  
Meadowbank NSW 2114

**NORTHERN BEACHES**  
154 Old Pittwater Road  
Brookvale NSW 2100

**NORTH SYDNEY**  
213 Pacific Highway  
St Leonards NSW 2065

**RYDE**  
250 Blaxland Road  
Ryde NSW 2112

## **Entry Requirements**

Current qualifications to operate a backhoe and/or excavator. Those with operator experience but without a current qualification may use a WorkCover logbook to operate 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 Requirements**

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

## **More Information**

For more information on this course – call Ryde College on (02) 9448 6301 during business hours.

**For information on all our courses or to enrol:**

Call **131 674** or visit [www.nsi.tafensw.edu.au](http://www.nsi.tafensw.edu.au)

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