



NATIONAL BURIAL COUNCIL (NBC) MEMBERSHIP

What is the National Burial Council (NBC)

The National Burial Council (NBC) is a national organisation that represents the needs of Muslim bereavement services across the UK. The council is dedicated to promoting transparency, consumer choice, and the development of bereavement services.

NBC has become widely recognised by the Government and statutory organisations as the voice for the sector.

Mission

To work together to improve the standards of bereavement support, service and promote good governance and operational excellence.

Objectives

- To be the national representative umbrella body for the diverse Muslim funeral directors and community groups offering bereavement and funeral services in the UK.
- To provide strong and effective representation as a consultee and a lobbyist within all tiers of central and local government for our members.
- To lead the transformation and professional development of Muslim funeral directors and bereavement services guided by the tenets of Islam to improve and further develop services to the members and the community.
- To promote NBC both within the association, within the community and with all stakeholders.

Our Code of Ethics

- a) Members of the National Burial Council (NBC) agree to willingly accept and respect, and honour the codes and responsibilities implied by membership.
- b) To promote and maintain the highest standards of bereavement service at all times.
- c) To maintain and respect at all times the confidentiality of the bereaved family, the community and staff.
- d) To be fully conversant with the laws governing funeral and bereavement services and to keep up to date with the changes in legislation.
- e) To respect the personal choice of the bereaved families and take account of cultural and religious sensitivities and requirements.
- f) To make every effort to ensure to service meets the bereaved family's needs for a quick burial.

Membership

The NBC aims to promote professional funeral standards and provide our Muslim Funeral Directors with leadership and negotiate our faith requirements with key national and local government departments and stakeholders on behalf of members.



Benefits of Membership / Affiliation

- I. **Advice and Support:** Exclusive access to specialist support, advice and guidance on all bereavement matters.
- II. **Maintaining standards:** NBC in collaboration with members and external relevant agencies will develop minimum core standards for the provision of end-of-life services.
- III. **Representation at the Highest Level:** Members' views, represented and articulated in any government or stakeholder consultations, and taskforces in respect of bereavement services.
- IV. **Training:** Opportunity for professional development on NBC training Programmes.
- V. **Good Practice:** Networking and sharing of good practice with NBC members.
- VI. **Events:** Invitation and free or reduced rate admission to NBC National and Regional conferences.

Application Process & Fees

Simply download and complete the application form and return it to NBC for appraisal and assessment.

Once you've completed and submitted the form, a member of our membership will be in touch regarding your application and payment details.

There are three categories:

- Funeral Directors Registered as Private Companies = **£100 per Annum**
- Funeral Directors and Bereavement Services – Community-based not-for-profit = **£75 per annum**
- Other Bereavement Services and professionals = **£50 per annum**

The fees are payable once your application is successful and is non-refundable.

The fee cannot be transferred to another business or organisation.

The fees base is constantly under review and may change

GDPR

The NBC takes privacy seriously and will not pass on data we hold unless expressly consented by you or for operational purposes