



Casket Certification

The core concept

1. Everything about our natural cemeteries is as 'natural' as possible.
2. We will not introduce anything that would interfere with or pollute environmental processes.

The Essentials

- **Casket list:** Certified caskets are listed on our website, and provided in our information pack to inquirers.
- **Manufacturer claims:** certified caskets are able to use the words "Certified by Natural Burials New Zealand"
- **Fee:** We do not charge a fee for certification. We include such costs in our per-burial fee which is charged to natural cemetery users via our certified funeral directors.
- **The system.** We have adopted a rating system in which caskets either comply, or do not. It is intended to be sufficiently flexible to allow for a variety of designs and material sources.

Measurement

Categories	Must Comply	Your model
Casket / materials - not imported	Y	
Wood - sustainably grown (ie. Replaced)	Y	
Wood - organically grown	N	
Wood - hand harvest	N	
Wood - on site milling	N	
Wood - no preserving treatment	Y	
Wood - soft wood (eg. Pine). NO composite boards allowed unless eco-certified (contact us to check)	Y	
Casket - construction on site of wood origin or within local authority region	N	
Casket - no synthetic glues or plastic jointings	Y	
Casket - No oil-based paints or artificial stains	Y	
Casket - No plastic handles, man-made cloths or fillings, and no artificial material fixings	Y	

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