

# INVENTORY OF IRISH WAR MEMORIALS

TITLE OF MEMORIAL \_\_\_\_\_

**1. LOCATION**  
Country \_\_\_\_\_ Ireland \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
District/Borough \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town/Village \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Ordnance Survey Map Reference (1:50,000) \_\_\_\_\_

**2. WHERE IS THE MEMORIAL SITUATED?**  
At a crossroads of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
Village green/market square etc. \_\_\_\_\_  
Private/Public building \_\_\_\_\_  
Inside  Outside  Where?  \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of worship \_\_\_\_\_  
Specify denomination \_\_\_\_\_  
Inside  Outside  Where?  \_\_\_\_\_  
In a park/gardens \_\_\_\_\_  
Elsewhere \_\_\_\_\_

**3. INSCRIPTIONS**  
*(Please write in full)*  
Which war/s are commemorated: Boer  First World War  Second World War   
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
*Names of individuals commemorated should be recorded on a separate sheet or in the form of photographs. Please tick here*   
**Earliest War** \_\_\_\_\_  
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How many names are listed? Numbers served \_\_\_\_\_ Numbers died \_\_\_\_\_  
Are the names listed: alphabetically  by year of death  officers and other ranks separated   
Does the list of names mention: forenames  decorations  regiment  place died  rank  other   
**Subsequent wars** \_\_\_\_\_  
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*If more than two wars are commemorated on the memorial please continue procedure on a separate sheet.*

**4. TYPE OF MEMORIAL**

- a. Cross/Crucifix  (Please specify e.g. celtic) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Cenotaph
- c. Pillar/Column
- d. Obelisk (square/round)
- e. Board or plaque
- f. Stone of Remembrance
- g. Mosaic/Mural
- h. Gate
- i. Wall
- j. Building
  - i. Chapel
  - ii. Hall
  - iii. Hospital or extension thereto
  - iv. Sports Pavilion
  - v. Clock/Clock Tower
  - vi. Bells/Bell Tower
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- k. Window Stained Glass/Plain
- l. Sports Field/Park
- m. Garden
- n. Street
- o. Cairn
- p. Sculptured/Cast figure (specify position, expression, dress, equipment)
  - i. Serviceman/woman
  - ii. Allegory (e.g. Victory, St George)
  - iii. Civilian

q. Sculptured/Cast group (specify number and type of figures ) \_\_\_\_\_

r. Composite e.g. a square obelisk with a figure of a soldier ) \_\_\_\_\_

- s. Other
  - i. Flag/banner
  - ii. Trophy/relic
  - iii. Seat
  - iv. Painting/Print
  - v. Photograph
  - vi. Sundial
  - vii. Other \_\_\_\_\_

- t. Roll of Honour
- u. Fountain
- v. Church fabric/fittings
- w. Tree/Avenue

What materials have been used? e.g. Bronze soldier on a marble plinth \_\_\_\_\_

Give the memorial's dimensions EXCEPT buildings. Specify if this is exact or an estimate.

Metric measurements please. Height \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_

**5. ORNAMENTATION** Please describe any other ornamentation e.g. wreaths, flags, weapons, lions. State the face on which each type of ornamentation appears. \_\_\_\_\_

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## 6. HISTORY OF THE MEMORIAL

Has the memorial, or part of it, been moved from its original location? YES/NO

When was it moved? \_\_\_\_\_

Where was it before? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Why was it moved? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

When was the memorial unveiled? \_\_\_\_\_

Who by? \_\_\_\_\_

Was the memorial dedicated? YES/NO When? \_\_\_\_\_

Who by? \_\_\_\_\_

Who sponsored the memorial? Private donation  Corporate donation  Public subscription  Other

Did this include a trust or scholarship fund? YES/NO

For what purpose? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this include a Roll of Honour in book/scroll form? YES/NO

Where is it? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the cost of the memorial? £ \_\_\_\_\_

Was the site given free of charge? YES/NO If purchased state cost £ \_\_\_\_\_

Who designed the memorial? \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Sculptor \_\_\_\_\_

Who built the memorial? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## 7. CONDITION OF MEMORIAL

Good  At Risk  Poor

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Are the letters difficult to read? YES/NO

Who is responsible for the memorial? \_\_\_\_\_

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Give details of any recent repairs or planned work \_\_\_\_\_

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## 8. REFERENCES

Please give details of any published or unpublished material you know of about this memorial, include author, title, date and place of publication. List sources consulted: local libraries, newspapers etc. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Filling in the form

Title of memorial. This may simply be “Great War Memorial” or “1798 Memorial”. If to a named person, it might be the “Byrne Memorial”, for example.

**1. Location.** All that is essential is the county, city/town/village and the street. If not on a named street or road, give the number of the road (e.g on south side of R129, just to west of village). If you can, add the map reference; if not, include a sketch map to allow the site to be identified later.

**2. Where is the memorial situated?** “Where?”, for buildings, means where in the building: porch, south wall of nave, east gallery, etc.

**3. Inscription.** No need to fill in the inscription here. It will be transcribed from the photos. A count of the numbers will be helpful.

**4. Type of memorial.** The choices seem to cover everything. “Roll of Honour” means paper documents in frames. A similar list on stone would be a plaque. Remember to take a tape-measure when recording a memorial.

**5. Ornamentation.** Self-explanatory.

**6. History of the memorial.** Very few of the questions here can usually be answered, unless there is considerable research, but some information may be found in the leaflets available in some buildings.

**7. Condition of the memorial.** Self-explanatory.

**8. References.** Self-explanatory.

**9. Photographs.** Self-explanatory. See extra notes on photography below.

**10. Additional comments.** Self-explanatory. If you have done research on the people named, please add it on a separate sheet, if necessary. These documents will eventually go to the National Museum, to be available for research there.

### Photography

The emphasis of the inventory and website is on the names of the people commemorated. For this reason, please try to get a *good, sharp photograph of every name*. This may mean several photographs overlapping like slates on a roof.

Also, take a photo of the whole memorial. Distortion due to awkward camera angle is often unavoidable, to prevent reflection of flash from a shiny surface, or because the memorial is high on a wall. The distortion can be corrected on the computer. If the memorial is out of doors, please take a photo of it in its surroundings. If the memorial is in a building, *please take one of the building itself*.

The inscription will be read off the photos, and transcribed into a typed document to accompany the photos on the website.

It is advisable to get permission to take photographs from whoever is in charge of the building, but memorials in the open can be photographed by anyone. If permission is given, please record the name and address of the person concerned, and a letter will be sent informing him/her when the images are posted on the website.