

CREMATION ID. TAG #

AUTHORITY TO CREMATE

URN SELECTED

Name of Deceased: _____

Address of Deceased: _____

Funeral Establishment: _____ Approx. Weight _____

The undersigned hereby authorizes and directs the crematory in accordance and subject to its rules and regulations, to cremate the remains of the decedent, and to release the cremated remains to the funeral director.

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 7054.7 (b), the undersigned acknowledges reading and understanding the following statement: The human body burns with the casket, container or other material in the cremation chamber. Some bone fragments are not combustible at the incineration temperature and, as a result, remain in the cremation chamber. During the cremation, the contents of the chamber may be moved to facilitate incineration. The chamber is composed of ceramic or other material which disintegrates slightly during each cremation and the product of that disintegration is commingled with the cremated remains. Nearly all of the contents of the cremation chamber, consisting of the cremated remains, disintegrated chamber material, and small amounts of residue from previous cremations, are removed together and crushed, pulverized, or ground to facilitate inurnment or scattering, some residue remains in the cracks and uneven places of the chamber. Periodically, the accumulation of this residue is removed and interred in a dedicated cemetery property, or scattered at sea.

The undersigned authorizes the crematory to make a reasonable effort to recover all metal removed from the chamber with the remains, to discard metal used in the construction of the casket or container, prosthesis and other metal, and to place in the cremated remains container recovered dental gold and silver, jewelry, or mementos that are identified as belonging to the decedent.

WARNING: The undersigned warrants that the decedent's remains does not contain a pacemaker or other explodable implant or device. If such is not the case, the undersigned agrees that such device will be removed by the funeral director or its duly authorized representative prior to the delivery of the decedent to the crematory.

DOES DECEASED HAVE A PACEMAKER YES NO

The undersigned understands that the crematory's policy will only allow the crematory operator and representatives of the funeral director to witness the process of cremating the decedent unless prior arrangements are made with funeral director and crematory.

AUTHORIZING AGENT: 7100. (a) The right to control the disposition of the remains of a deceased person, the location and conditions of interment, and arrangements for funeral goods and services to be provided, unless other directions have been given by the decedent pursuant to Section 7100.1, vests in, and the duty of disposition and the liability for the reasonable cost of disposition of the remains devolves upon, the following in the order named:

(1) An agent under a power of attorney for health care who has the right and duty of disposition under Division 4.7 (commencing with Section 4600) of the Probate Code, except that the agent is liable for the costs of disposition only in either of the following cases:

(A) Where the agent makes a specific agreement to pay the costs of disposition.

(B) Where, in the absence of a specific agreement, the agent makes decisions concerning disposition that incur costs, in which case the agent is liable only for the reasonable costs incurred as a result of the agent's decisions, to the extent that the decedent's estate or other appropriate fund is insufficient.

(2) The Competent surviving spouse.

(3) The sole surviving competent adult child of the decedent, or if there is more than one competent adult child of the decedent, the majority of the surviving competent adult children. However, less than one-half of the surviving adult children shall be vested with the rights and duties of this section if they have used reasonable efforts to notify all other surviving competent adult children of their instructions and are not aware of any opposition to those instructions on the part of more than one-half of all surviving competent adult children.

(4) The surviving competent parent or parents of the decedent. If one of the surviving competent parents is absent, the remaining competent parent shall be vested with the rights and duties of this section after reasonable efforts have been unsuccessful in locating the absent surviving competent parent.

(5) The surviving competent adult person or persons respectively in the next degrees of kindred. If there is more than one surviving competent adult person of the same degree of kindred, the majority of those persons. Less than the majority of surviving competent adult persons of the same degree of kindred shall be vested with the rights and duties of this section if those persons have used reasonable efforts to notify all other surviving competent adult persons of the same degree of kindred of their instructions and are not aware of any opposition to those instructions on the part of one-half or more of all surviving competent adult persons of the same degree of kindred.

(6) The public administrator when the deceased has sufficient assets.

(b) (1) If any person to whom the right to control has vested pursuant to subdivision (a) has been charged with first or second degree murder of voluntary manslaughter in connection with the decedent's death and those charges are known to the funeral director or cemetery authority, the right to control is relinquished and passed on the next of kin in accordance with subdivision (a). (2) If the charges against the person are dropped, or if the person is acquitted of the charges, the right of control is returned to the person. (3) Notwithstanding this subdivision, no person who has been charged with first of second degree murder of voluntary manslaughter in connection with the decedent's death to whom the right of control has not been returned pursuant to paragraph (2) shall have any right to control disposition pursuant to subdivision (a) which shall be applied, to the extent the funeral director or cemetery authority know about the charges, as if that person did not exist.

(c) A funeral director or cemetery authority shall have complete authority to control the disposition of the remains, and to proceed under this chapter to recover usual and customary charges for the disposition, when both of the following apply: (1) Either of the following applies: (A) The funeral director or cemetery authority has knowledge that none of the persons described in paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, of subdivision (a) exists. (B) None of the persons described in paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, subdivision (a) can be found after reasonable inquiry, or contacted by reasonable means. (2) The public administrator fails to assume responsibility for disposition of the remains within seven days having been given written notice of the facts. Written notice may be delivered by hand, U.S. mail, facsimile transmission, or telegraph.

(d) The liability for the reasonable cost of final disposition devolves jointly and severally upon all kin of the decedent in the same degree of kindred and upon the estate of the decedent. (e) This section shall be administered and construed to the end that the expressed instructions of the decedent or the person entitled to control the disposition shall be faithfully and promptly performed. (f) A funeral director or cemetery authority shall not be liable to any person or persons for carrying out the instructions of the decedent or the person entitled to control the disposition. (g) For the purposes of this section, "adult" means an individual who has attained 18 years of age, "child" means a natural or adopted child of the decedent and "competent" means an individual who has not been declared incompetent by a court of law or who has declared competent by a court of law following a declaration of incompetence.

Having read and understand this document, the undersigned certifies that he/she/they is/are the authorizing agent(s) and agree to hold the crematory indemnified and harmless from any liability related to this authorization, process of cremation, processing and release of the cremated remains.

Executed at _____, California, this _____ day of _____, 20____

X
Signature and relationship of authorizing agent (_____) address of authorizing agent _____
Print name

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Signature and relationship of authorizing agent (_____) address of authorizing agent _____
Print name

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Signature and relationship of authorizing agent (_____) address of authorizing agent _____
Print name

"FOR INFORMATION ON FUNERAL, CEMETERY, AND CREMATION MATTERS, CONTACT: DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FUNERAL AND CEMETERY BUREAU, 1625 North Market Blvd., Ste. S-208, Sacramento, CA 95834 (916)574-7870."

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