

GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 6

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE CREMATION ORDINANCE, CH. 12 No. 20

REGULATIONS

MADE BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL UNDER SECTION 8 OF THE CREMATION
ORDINANCE

THE CREMATION REGULATIONS, 1970

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Cremation Regulations, 1970. Citation

Preliminary

2. In these Regulations—

Definitions

"authorised officer" means the police officer of or above the rank of Inspector of the division in which the deceased whose remains it is proposed to cremate died;

"division" means a police division within the meaning of the Police Service Regulations, 1967;

"local authority" means the Port-of-Spain Corporation established under the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance, The San Fernando Corporation established under the San Fernando Corporation Ordinance and the Arima Corporation established under the Arima Corporation Ordinance and includes a County Council established under the County Councils Act, 1967;

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—1967

"Medical Practitioner" means a person duly registered by the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago;

"Minister" means the member of the Cabinet to whom responsibility for the subject of Local Government is assigned;

"Ordinance" means the Cremation Ordinance.

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PART I

Cremation by Pyre Method

3. In this Part—

Interpreta-
tion of
Part I

"Cremation Authority" also called the licensee, includes a person to whom a licence is granted under regulation 13;

"proper officer" means such person as is designated by a local authority as the officer through whom written authority for the use of authorised sites is issued.

Maintenance
and
inspection

4. Every pyre site established in Trinidad and Tobago under the Ordinance and every site specified in a licence issued under regulation 13 shall be—

- (a) maintained in good working order;
- (b) provided with a sufficient number of attendants trained to the satisfaction of the Chief Medical Officer;
- (c) kept constantly in a clean and orderly condition; and
- (d) open to inspection at any reasonable time by any person appointed for such purposes by the Minister of Health.

Notice
required of
intention to
open or close
site for the
construction
of pyres

5. (1) A Cremation Authority shall give to the Minister one month's notice in writing of its intention to open or close any site for the construction of pyres established by it, or over which it has control.

(2) A Cremation Authority shall before closing any site for the construction of pyres under its control give at least one month's notice of such intention to the public.

(3) A notice to which subsection (2) refers shall be prominently displayed for at least one month prior to the proposed closing date at the main entrance of the site and shall also be published on at least six days during the said period in a daily newspaper circulating in the division in which such site is situated.

Application
for permit to
Authorised
Officer
Form A

6. An application for permission to cremate any human remains under the Ordinance shall be made in accordance with these Regulations to the authorised officer on Form A in the Schedule.

Who may
apply

7. An application to which section 6 refers shall be made and signed by an executor or by the nearest surviving relative of the deceased or by some other person except that where any application is made by a person other than the executor or nearest relative of the deceased such person shall show good reason to the satisfaction of the authorised officer why the application is not in fact being made by an executor or by such relative of the deceased.

Authorised
officer to
grant, delay
or refuse
application

8. (1) No permission to cremate shall be granted unless the requirements for cremation of human remains by the Pyre method prescribed by the Ordinance and these Regulations have been complied with.

(2) The authorised officer may in his absolute discretion either grant, delay or refuse permission to cremate the remains of a deceased.

Authorised
officer to
issue written
Authority to
cremate.
Form B
When
unlawful
to create

(3) A permit to burn human remains on a pyre shall be issued on Form B in the Schedule.

9. (1) No person shall dispose of by burning on any pyre—

- (a) the remains of any person who is known to have left a written declaration to the contrary; or
- (b) any human remains which have not been properly identified; or

- (c) the remains of any person unless a written authority so to do has first been obtained from the authorised officer under paragraph (2) of regulation 8 and all other requirements of the Ordinance and of these Regulations have been fully complied with.

(2) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these Regulations is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

10. No cremation of human remains by the pyre method shall be allowed to take place unless—

- (a) a certificate in accordance with Form C in the Schedule has been given by a medical practitioner who has attended to the deceased during his last illness and who can certify definitely as to the cause of death, and a confirmatory medical certificate in accordance with Form D in the Schedule has been given by a Medical Officer who shall not be a relative of the deceased or a relative or partner of the medical practitioner who has given the certificate in Form C; or
- (b) a post-mortem examination has been made by a Medical Officer appointed by the authorised officer and approved by the Chief Medical Officer and a certificate has been given by him in accordance with Form E in the Schedule; and
- (c) upon production of a certificate that the death has been duly registered in accordance with the provisions of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance.

Medical certificates required before any cremation takes place

Form C
Form D

Form E

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11. (1) (a) After the cremation of the remains of a deceased person the ashes shall be given into the charge of the person who applied for the said cremation, if he so desires. Where the ashes are not so desired, they shall be retained by the Cremation Authority, and, in the absence of any special arrangement, they shall either be decently interred in a burial ground or on a site reserved for the burial of such ashes or shall be scattered thereon or thrown into the sea in a place being not less than a quarter of a mile from any public bathing beach and approved by the local authority or into a river approved by the local authority.

Disposal of ashes

(b) A local authority shall consult with the Minister of Planning and Development before any site is reserved for the burial of ashes of a deceased person or before any place in the sea or any river is approved for the disposal of the ashes of a deceased person in accordance with paragraph (a).

(2) Where ashes are left temporarily in the charge of the Cremation Authority and not removed within a reasonable time, a fortnight's notice shall be given by the Cremation Authority to the person who applied for the cremation before the remains are interred or scattered or thrown into the sea or a river in accordance with paragraph (1).

(3) Any person who throws or authorises the throwing of any ashes of human remains into the sea or a river save as provided by this regulation, or into any lagoon, pond, dam, reservoir, river, stream, ravine or watercourse or disposes of the same otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for six months.

(4) In this regulation "scatter" means to throw over a limited surface suitably enclosed and reserved specifically for that purpose and thereafter to cover lightly with earth.

Conditions
for
cremations

12. (1) Notwithstanding the issue of a permit under regulation 8, no cremation of human remains shall be carried out by the pyre method at any place, unless—

- (a) the site on which the pyre is to be constructed is an authorised site; and
- (b) the cremation is conducted by a person licensed for the purpose by the Minister; and
- (c) an officer designated by the Minister of Health to ensure that the provisions of the Public Health Ordinance have been complied with, is present; and
- (d) an officer of police designated by the Commissioner of Police to ensure that the provisions of the Cremation Ordinance and these Regulations have been complied with, is present.

Form F

(2) Subject to these Regulations a local authority may, in its discretion, through the proper officer, issue a written authority in accordance with Form F in the Schedule authorising the use of any site (in these Regulations referred to as an "authorised site") for the construction of funeral pyres for the cremation of human remains.

(3) An authorised site shall be any place, within such part of the district of a local authority approved by the Minister and shall satisfy the following conditions if—

- (a) it is situated *at least one half a mile* distant from the nearest dwelling house and not less than one hundred yards from any road;
- (b) it is situated at a place where its use as a site for the cremation of human remains is not likely to be a nuisance;
- (c) it is properly fenced from animals, and screened from public view; and
- (d) the County Public Health Medical Officer has declared the site as suitable.

Licensing of
persons to
conduct
cremations
Form G

13. (1) The Minister may, subject to such terms and conditions as he may think necessary, grant licences in accordance with Form G in the Schedule authorising persons to construct pyres on which human remains may be burned. It shall be the duty of such licensees to act in accordance with the Ordinance and these Regulations and to obey the orders of the Minister or anyone authorised by him, and such licensees shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of all those employed by them.

(2) The Minister may, in his discretion suspend or cancel the licence of any licensee who is guilty of misconduct in the performance of his duties under these Regulations.

(3) The grant, suspension or cancellation of a licence shall be published in the *Gazette* and in at least one daily newspaper.

(4) No person other than a licensee and his assistants working under his supervision may do any work in relation to the construction of a funeral

pyre authorised to be constructed under regulation 12 (2), and any unlicensed person who does that work or any unlicensed person who causes it to be done by such unlicensed person is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars.

14. (1) The licensee under regulation 13 who is entrusted by any person to whom a permit under regulation 8 is issued with the undertaking of the cremation of human remains shall make application to the proper officer of the local authority for written authority to use any authorised site and shall submit therewith the permit issued to such person under the said regulation 8. Duties of licensees

(2) Where written authority to use any authorised site is issued, the licensee under regulation 13 shall make such preparations for the construction of the funeral pyre and the conduct of the cremation as are in accordance with any general directions of the Minister issued in writing for the purpose or as are specially given to him by any person authorised by the Minister or by the local authority.

(3) Upon the completion of the cremation in accordance with these Regulations, a licensee under regulation 13 shall obtain from a police officer present at the cremation a certificate in accordance with Form H in the Schedule to the effect that the cremation was conducted under and in accordance with these Regulations and the licensee shall deliver such certificate to the proper officer of the local authority. Form H

15. The proper officer of the local authority shall once in every year, forward to the Minister all permits, duplicate authorities, certificates and other documents lodged with or copies of those issued by him and relating to cremations carried out at authorised sites within the district of the local authority. Documents be forwarded to Minister

16. Any human remains burnt on any pyre shall be reduced entirely to ashes which shall then be salvaged and dealt with in the manner prescribed by regulation 11. Human remains to be all reduced to ashes

17. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the ashes of any human remains cremated in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance or of these Regulations from being exported from the country in containers sealed to the satisfaction of the Chief Medical Officer. Ashes may be exported

18. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorise the burning of human remains or to authorise the disposal of the ashes of human remains so as to contravene the provisions of the Public Health Ordinance. Regulations not to affect provisions of Public Health Ordinance Ch. 12 No. 4

19. (1) Every Cremation Authority shall keep a register of all cremations carried out by it in accordance with Form I in the Schedule. Registration of burning of human remains Form I

(2) Entries shall be made relating to each cremation by pyre method immediately after the cremation has taken place, except the entry in the last column, which shall be made as soon as the ashes of the deceased have been handed to the person to whom authority to cremate was given by the authorised officer or have been otherwise disposed of in accordance with regulation 11.

Applications, certificates and documents to be retained by Cremation Authority 20. (1) All applications, certificates, statutory declarations and other documents relating to any cremation shall be marked with a number corresponding to the number in the register and shall be filed in order, and shall be carefully preserved by the Cremation Authority, so, however, that the Cremation Authority may, if it thinks fit, destroy any such application, certificates, statutory declarations or other documents (but not the register of cremations or any part thereof) after the expiration of fifteen years from the date of the cremation to which they relate.

Inspection of documents (2) All such registers and documents shall be open to inspection at any reasonable hour by any person appointed for that purpose by the Minister or by the Commissioner of Police.

(3) In this regulation "Cremation Authority" does not include a licensee under regulation 13.

Disposal of documents where site for the construction of pyres has been closed 21. When any site for the construction of pyres is closed as provided in regulation 5 the Cremation Authority shall send all registers and documents relating to the cremations which have taken place therein to the Minister or otherwise dispose of them as he may direct.

Regulations 22. The Governor-General may from time to time by Order published in the *Gazette* provide for rules regulating the fees to be charged for cremation by pyre method, the hours during which cremation under this Part may be carried on and generally for the proper administration of this Part.

PART II

Cremation by Crematorium Method

Interpretation of Part II 23. In this Part—
"Crematorium Authority" means any burial authority or any company or person by whom a crematorium has been established or operated;

"Crematorium" means any building fitted with appliances for the purpose of burning human remains and includes everything incidental and ancillary thereto.

Establishment of crematorium 24. (1) No crematorium shall be established without the permission of the Minister.

(2) A person desiring to establish a crematorium shall make application to the Minister for permission so to do and shall submit the plans and site thereof to the Minister and the local authority concerned.

(3) Where the local authority after consultation with the Ministry of Planning and Development approves the plans and the site for the crematorium it shall so certify, and the Minister may if he thinks fit grant permission for the establishment of the crematorium.

(4) Where a crematorium is so established, the Crematorium Authority shall notify the Minister of any change of name of the crematorium, or of any change of ownership thereof.

Certificate of local authority 25. A crematorium established under regulation 24 may not be used for the cremation of human remains unless the local authority certifies to the Minister that the crematorium is complete, built in accordance with such

plans and properly equipped for the purpose of the disposal of human remains by burning.

26. No crematorium shall be constructed within one hundred yards of any dwelling-house, nor within fifty yards of any road, nor in the consecrated part of the burial ground of any cemetery.

Sites of crematorium

Maintenance and Inspection of Crematoria

27. (1) Every crematorium shall be—

- (a) maintained in good working order;
- (b) provided with a sufficient number of attendants; and
- (c) kept constantly in a clean and orderly condition.

Duty to maintain crematoria in good condition

(2) Where the Crematorium Authority fails to comply with paragraph (1), the crematorium may be closed by order of the Minister upon his giving not less than one week's notice thereof by advertisement in a newspaper circulating in Trinidad and Tobago and by affixing written notice thereof to the entrance to the crematorium.

(3) The Crematorium Authority shall give notice in writing to the Minister of the opening or closing of any crematorium.

(4) Every crematorium shall be open to inspection at any time by any person appointed for that purpose by the Minister or by the Minister to whom responsibility for Health is assigned.

(5) No cremations of human remains shall take place except in a crematorium, notice of the opening of which has been given to the Minister.

Conditions under which Cremations may take place

28. (1) A Crematorium Authority shall give to the Minister at least one month's notice in writing of its intention to open or close any crematorium established by it or over which it has control.

Notice required of intention to open or close crematorium

(2) A Crematorium Authority shall before closing any crematorium established by it or under its control give at least one month's notice of such intention to the public.

(3) A notice to which paragraph (2) refers shall be prominently displayed for at least one month prior to the proposed closing date at the main entrance of the crematorium and shall also be published on at least six (6) days during the said period in a daily newspaper circulating in the division in which such crematorium is situated.

29. All applications to have any human remains cremated under the provisions of the Ordinance shall be made to the authorised officer and shall be supported by statutory declaration in accordance with Form A.

Application for permit to Authorised Officer Form A

30. An application and statutory declaration to which regulation 29 refers shall be made and signed by an executor or by the nearest surviving relative of the deceased, or by some other person provided that in the case of such other person he shall show good reason to the satisfaction of the authorised officer why the application is not in fact being made by an executor or by such relative of the deceased.

Application and statutory declaration to be signed by relative

31. (1) No permission for cremation shall be granted unless the requirements prescribed by the Ordinance and these Regulations have been complied with.

Authorised Officer to grant, delay or refuse application

- (2) The authorised officer may in his absolute discretion either grant, delay or refuse permission to cremate the remains of the deceased.
- Authorised Officer to issue written authority to cremate Form B When unlawful to cremate
- (3) A permit granted in accordance with paragraph (1) shall be in writing in accordance with Form B in the Schedule.
- (4) No cremation shall be performed unless an officer or officers designated by the Commissioner of Police for the purpose of ensuring that the Ordinance and these Regulations have been complied with are present.
- Conditions for cremations
32. (1) It shall not be lawful to dispose of by burning in any crematorium—
- the remains of any person who is known to have left a written declaration to the contrary; or
 - any human remains which have not been properly identified; or
 - the remains of any person unless a written authority so to do has first been obtained from the authorised officer under regulation 31 and all other requirements of the Ordinance and these Regulations have been fully complied with.
- (2) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provisions of this Regulation is liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for six months or to both.
- Medical certificates required before any cremation takes place Form C Form D
33. No cremation of human remains shall be allowed to take place unless:—
- a certificate in accordance with Form C in the Schedule has been given by a medical practitioner who has attended to the deceased during his last illness and who can certify definitely as to the cause of death, and a confirmatory medical certificate in accordance with Form D in the Schedule has been given by a Medical Officer who shall not be a relative of the deceased or a relative or partner of the medical practitioner who has given the certificate in Form C; or
 - a post-mortem examination has been made by a Medical Officer appointed by the authorised officer and approved by the Chief Medical Officer and a certificate has been given by him in accordance with Form E in the Schedule; and
 - a certificate that the death has been duly registered in accordance with the provision of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance has been produced.
- Form C
- Form E
- Ch. 29 No. 1
- Disposal of ashes
34. (1) After the cremation of the remains of a deceased person the ashes shall be given into the charge of the person who applied for the said cremation, if he so desires. Where the ashes are not so desired, they shall be retained by the Crematorium Authority, and, in the absence of any special arrangement, they shall either be decently interred in a burial ground or in the land adjoining the crematorium or site reserved for the burial of such ashes or shall be scattered thereon or thrown into the sea in a place not less than a quarter of a mile from any public bathing beach and approved by the local authority or into a river approved by the local authority.
- (2) Where ashes are left temporarily in the charge of the Crematorium Authority and not removed within a reasonable time, a fortnight's notice shall be given by the Crematorium Authority to the person who applied for the cremation before the remains are interred or scattered or thrown into the sea or river on accordance with paragraph (1).

(3) Any person who throws or authorises the throwing of any ashes of human remains into the sea or a river save as is provided by this regulation, or into any lagoon, pond, dam, reservoir, stream ravine or watercourse or disposes of the same otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of this regulation is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for six months.

(4) In this regulation "scatter" means to strew over a limited surface suitably enclosed and reserved specifically for that purpose and thereafter to cover lightly with earth.

35. (1) The Minister may, subject to such terms and conditions as he may think necessary, grant licences in accordance with Form J authorising persons to conduct cremations for the purposes of the Ordinance and these Regulations. It shall be the duty of such licensees to act in accordance with the Ordinance and these Regulations and to obey the orders of the Minister or anyone authorised by him, and such licensees shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of those employed by them.

Licensing
of persons
to conduct
cremations
Form J.

(2) The Minister may, in his discretion suspend or cancel the licence of any licensee who is guilty of misconduct in the performance of his duties under these Regulations.

(3) The grant, suspension or cancellation of a licence shall be published in the *Gazette* and in at least one daily newspaper.

(4) No person other than a licensee and his assistants working under his supervision may do any work in relation to cremations in a crematorium established under regulation 24, and any unlicensed person who does that work or any unlicensed person who causes it to be done by such unlicensed person is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars.

36. Upon the completion of the cremation in accordance with these Regulations, a licensee under regulation 35 shall obtain from a police officer present at the cremation, a certificate in accordance with Form H in the Schedule to the effect that the cremation was conducted under and in accordance with these Regulations.

Certificate
upon crema-
tion in
crematoria
Form H

37. Any human remains burnt at any crematorium shall be reduced entirely to ashes which shall then be salvaged and dealt with in the manner prescribed by regulation 34.

Human
remains to
be all
reduced to
ashes

38. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the ashes of any human remains cremated in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance or of these Regulations from being exported from the Country in containers sealed to the satisfaction of the Chief Medical Officer.

Ashes may
be
exported

39. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorise the burning of human remains or to authorise the disposal of the ashes of human remains so as to contravene the provisions of the Public Health Ordinance.

Regulations
not to affect
provisions of
Public
Health
Ordinance
Ch. 12 No. 4

40. (1) Every Crematorium Authority shall keep a register of all cremations carried out by it in accordance with Form I in the Schedule.

Registration
of burning
of human
remains

(2) Entries shall be made relating to each cremation immediately after the cremation has taken place, except the entry in the last column, which shall

Form I

be made as soon as the ashes of the deceased have been handed to the person to whom authority to cremate was given by the authorised officer or have been otherwise disposed of in accordance with regulation 34 of these Regulations.

Applications certificates, and documents to be retained by Crematorium Authority 41. (1) All applications, certificates, statutory declarations and other documents relating to any cremation shall be marked with a number corresponding to the number in the register and shall be filed in order and shall be carefully preserved by the Crematorium Authority;

Provided that the Crematorium Authority may, if it thinks fit, destroy any such applications, certificates, statutory declarations or other documents (but not the register of cremations or any part thereof) after the expiration of fifteen years from the date of the cremation to which they relate.

Inspection of documents (2) All such registers and documents shall be open to inspection at any reasonable hour by any person appointed for that purpose by the Minister or by the Commissioner of Police.

(3) In this regulation "Crematorium Authority" does not include a licensee under regulation 35.

Disposal of documents where crematorium or site for the construction of pyres has been closed 42. When any crematorium is closed as provided in regulation 27 the Cremation Authority shall send all registers and documents relating to the cremations which have taken place therein to the Minister of Local Government or otherwise dispose of them as he may direct.

Order of Governor-General as to fees for cremations 43. The Governor-General may from time to time by Order published in the *Gazette* regulate the fees to be charged for cremations, the hours during which cremations may be carried out and generally for the proper administration of crematoria in accordance with the Ordinance and these Regulations.

Power of Minister to delegate 44. The Minister may, in relation to any particular regulation other than this regulation by writing under his hand, delegate to any person his powers thereunder.

Miscellaneous

Offences and penalties 45. A person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these Regulations is guilty of an offence, and any person guilty of an offence against these Regulations, except where the provisions by or under which the offence is created provides the penalty to be imposed, is liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars, and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine of twenty-five dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Revocation G.N. No. 39 of 1956 46. The Cremation Regulations, 1956 are revoked.

SCHEDULE

Forms for the purposes of the Principal Regulations.

FORM A

(Regulations 6 and 29)

APPLICATION FOR CREMATION WITH STATUTORY DECLARATION

1. (Name of Applicant).....

(Address).....

(Occupation)

apply to the Authorised Officer of the Division

for a permit for the cremation of the remains of

(name of deceased)

(Address)

(Occupation)

(Age) (Sex)

(Whether married, widow, widower, or unmarried) at.....

(description of crematorium or site for construction of pyre) (established/operated by)

The true answers to the questions set out below are as follows:—

1. Are you an executor or the nearest surviving

relative of the deceased?

2. If not, state

(a) Your relationship to the deceased

(b) The reason why the application is made
by you and not by an executor or any

nearer relative.....

3. Did the deceased leave any written directions
as to the mode of disposal of his or her

remains? If so, what?

4. Have the near relatives* of the deceased been
informed of the proposed cremation?5. Has any near relative of the deceased
expressed any objection to the proposed
cremation? If so, on what ground?6. What was the date and hour of the death of
the deceased?7. What was the place where deceased died?
(Give address and say whether own resi-
dence, lodgings, hotel, hospital, nursing

home, etc.)

*The term "near relative" as here used includes widow or widower, parents, children above the age of 16, and any other relative usually residing with the deceased.

- 8. Do you know, or have any reason to suspect, that the death of the deceased was due, directly or indirectly, to
 - (a) violence;
 - (b) poison;
 - (c) privation or neglect?
- 9. Do you know any reason whatever for supposing that an examination of the remains of the deceased may be desirable?
- 10. Give name and address of the ordinary medical attendant of the deceased
- 11. Give names and addresses of the medical practitioners who attended deceased during his or her last illness.

I, A.B., do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

That all the particulars stated above are true, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief no material particular has been omitted.

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I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and according to the Statutory Declarations Ordinance, and I am aware that if there is any statement in this declaration which is false in fact, which I know or believe to be false or do not believe to be true, I am liable to a fine and imprisonment.

.....
.....
(Signature)

†Declared at
the day of 19.....
before me,

.....
(Signature)

†This declaration must be made before the Chief Justice, any Judge of the Supreme Court, the Sub-Intendant of Crown Lands, any Notary Public, Warden, Justice of the Peace or any Commissioner of Affidavits.

FORM B

(Regulations 8(3) and 31(3))

PERMIT TO CREMATE

(To be granted by the Authorised Officer)

To: A. B. of

WHEREAS application has been made for a permit for the cremation of the remains of

(Name*)

(Address)

(Occupation)

AND WHEREAS I have satisfied myself that the requirements for the cremation of human remains prescribed by the Cremation Ordinance, and the Regulations made in pursuance of that Ordinance have been complied with, that the cause of death has been definitely ascertained, and there exists no reason for any further inquiry or examination.

A permit for the cremation of human remains in accordance with the Cremation Regulations, 1970, is hereby issued to the said A. B.

(Signature).....
Authorised Officer

(Date).....

Note—This permit should be signed in duplicate—one copy to be retained with certificates and the other delivered to the applicant.

*In the case of a still-born child, in place of the name, address and occupation, insert a description sufficient to identify the body, and in place of the words "that the cause of death has been definitely ascertained" insert the words "that the child was still-born."

FORM C

(Regulations 10 and 33)

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL ATTENDANT

(To be given by a medical practitioner who has attended to the deceased during his last illness and who can certify definitely as to the cause of death).

I am informed that application is about to be made for the cremation of the remains of:—

(Name of deceased).....

(Address)

(Occupation)

Having attended the deceased before death, and seen and indentified the body after death, I give the following answers to the questions set out below:—

1. On what date, and at what hour did he or she die?
2. What was the place where the deceased died? (Give address and say whether own residence, lodging, hotel, hospital, nursing home, &c.)
3. Are you a relative of the deceased? If so, state the relationship.
4. Have you, so far as you are aware, any pecuniary interest in the death of the deceased?
5. Were you the ordinary medical attendant of the deceased? If so, for how long?
6. Did you attend the deceased during his or her last illness? If so, for how long?
7. When did you last see the deceased alive? (Say how many days or hours before death).

8. How soon after death did you see the body, and what examination of it did you make?
9. What was the cause of death? Primary
 I Secondary
 Immediate cause (a).....
 Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause) } due to
 (b).....
 II } due to
 (c).....
 Other morbid conditions (if important) contributing to death but not related to immediate cause. }
10. What was the mode of death? (Say whether syncope, coma, exhaustion, convulsions, &c.)
- What was its duration in days, hours, or minutes?
11. State how far the answers to the last two questions are the result of your own observations, or are based on statements made by others. If on statements made by others, say by whom
12. Did the deceased undergo any operation during the final illness or within a year before death? If so, what was its nature, and who performed it?
13. By whom was the deceased nursed during his or her last illness? (Give names, and say whether professional nurse, relative, &c. If the illness was a long one, this question should be answered with reference to the period of four weeks before the death)
14. Who were the persons (if any) present at the moment of death?
15. In view of the knowledge of the deceased's habits and constitution do you feel any doubt whatever as to the character of the disease or the cause of death?
16. Have you any reason to suspect that the death of the deceased was due, directly or indirectly, to
 (a) violence;
 (b) poison;
 (c) privation or neglect?
17. Have you any reason whatever to suppose a further examination of the body to be desirable?
18. Have you given the certificate required for registration of death? If not, who has?

I hereby certify that the answers given above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I know of no reasonable cause to suspect that the deceased died either a violent or an unnatural death or a sudden death of which the cause is unknown or died in such place or circumstances as to require an inquest in pursuance of any Ordinance.

(Signature)

(Address)

(Registered Qualifications)

(Date).....

NOTE—This certificate must be handed or sent in a closed envelope by the medical practitioner who signs it to the medical practitioner who is to give the confirmatory certificate below.

FORM D

(Regulations 10 and 33(a))

CONFIRMATORY MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

(To be given by a Government Medical Officer who is not a relative of the deceased or a relative or partner of the medical practitioner who gives the certificate in Form C).

I, being the Medical Officer for.....medical district, and being neither a relative of the deceased, nor a relative or partner of the medical practitioner who has given the foregoing medical certificate, have examined it and have made personal inquiry as stated in my answers to the questions below:—

- 1. Have you seen the body of the deceased?
- 2. Have you carefully examined the body externally?
- 3. Have you made a post-mortem examination?.....
- 4. Have you seen and questioned the medical practitioner who attended the deceased?.....
- 5. Have you seen and questioned any other medical practitioner who attended the deceased?
- 6. Have you seen and questioned any person who nursed the deceased during his last illness, or who was present at the death?
- 7. Have you seen and questioned any of the relatives of the deceased?
- 8. Have you seen and questioned any other person?

(In the answers to questions 5, 6, 7, and 8, give names and addresses of persons seen and say whether you saw them alone.)

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.....

I am satisfied that the cause of death was.....
and I certify that I know of no reasonable cause to suspect that the deceased died either
a violent or an unnatural death or a sudden death of which the cause is unknown or died
in such place or circumstances as to require an inquest in pursuance of any Ordinance.

(Signature)

(Address).....

(Date).....

(Registered qualifications)

(Office).....

NOTE—The Certificates in Forms C and D must be handed or sent in a closed envelope
to the Authorised Officer by one or other of the medical practitioners by whom they are
given.

FORM E

(Regulations 10(b) and 33(b))

CERTIFICATE AFTER POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION

(To be given by a Government Medical Officer appointed by the Authorised
Officer and approved by the Chief Medical Officer.)

I hereby certify that, acting on the instructions of
Authorised Officer of the division, I made a
post-mortem examination of the remains of

(Name).....

(Address)

(Occupation)

The result of the examination is as follows:—

I am satisfied that the cause of death was.....
and that there is no reason for making any toxicological analysis* or for the holding of an
inquest.

(Signature)

(Address)

Medical Officer for the.....Medical
District

(Registered Qualifications)

(Date).....

*The words underlined should be omitted where a toxicological analysis has been
made and its result is stated in this certificate or in a certificate attached to it.

FORM F

(Regulation 12(2))

AUTHORITY TO USE AUTHORISED SITE
(To be issued by the Local Authority of the District)

The.....a Local Authority,
having been satisfied that all the requirements of the Cremation Ordinance, and of the
Regulations made in pursuance of that Ordinance have been complied with, hereby author-
ises the use of the site specified in the appendix hereto, for the construction of a funeral
pyre on which human remains may be burned in accordance with the said Ordinance and
Regulations.

(Signature).....

Proper Officer of the Local Authority

Date.....

APPENDIX

(Description of site)

FORM I
REGISTER OF CREMATIONS

Carried out by.....

At the Crematorium/Site at.....

No.	Date of cremation	Name, residence, and occupation of deceased	Age and Sex	Whether married or unmarried	Date of death	Place of death	Name and address of person who applied for cremation	Names and addresses of persons signing certificates	District where death has been registered	How ashes were disposed of

NOTE:—Additional particulars may be added in the form of Register by the Cremation Authority.

FORM J

(Regulation 35(1))

LICENCE TO CONDUCT CREMATIONS BY THE CREMATORIUM METHOD

(To be issued by the Minister of Local Government)

A.B., ofis hereby licensed to conduct cremations in accordance with Part II of the Cremation Regulations, 1970.

Dated this day of, 19 ..

..... *Minister of Local Government|Person delegated by Minister

N.B.—This licence is liable to be suspended or cancelled for misconduct of the licensee in the performance of his duties under the regulations.

*Delete whichever is not necessary.

Dated this 1st day of October, 1970.

K. BOSWELL-INNISS Acting Secretary to the Cabinet

Passed in the House of Representatives this 23rd day of October, 1970.

J. E. CARTER Acting Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 20th day of October, 1970.

A. A. DARLINGTON Acting Clerk of the Senate