

**21 NCAC 34B .0804      STANDARDS FOR REMOVAL AND TRANSPORTATION OF DEAD HUMAN BODIES**

(a) Removal and transportation shall be conducted in accordance with the standards of OSHA for universal precautions and blood-borne pathogens set forth at 29 C.F.R. 1910.1030. Before engaging in removal or transportation, a permit holder shall attest in writing to the Board that he or she has taken a training course on universal precautions and blood-borne pathogens offered by OSHA or NC OSH.

(b) Upon arrival at a location to engage in removal or transportation, a permit holder shall:

- (1) Display on the dashboard of the removal vehicle the permit issued by the Board allowing the removal or transportation service;
- (2) Verbally identify himself or herself as a permit holder;
- (3) Identify the entity for whom he or she is engaged in removal or transportation.

(c) Decedents shall be placed face up when secured in the removal vehicle or into a casket or a container that is commercially manufactured for the storage of dead human bodies.

(d) Belongings found at the location of origin (such as tools, bedding, or towels that are not supplied by the licensee) shall not be used to assist with a decedent's removal or transportation if such use is contrary to the directives of the decedent's family members, OCME, ME, or a law enforcement official.

*History Note:*      *Authority G.S. 90-210.23(a); 90-210.25(c)(9), (10) and (14);  
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