

**MEMORANDUM**

To: James P. Leonard, Commissioner  
Department of Records

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From: Cheryl A. Bettigole, MD, MPH, Health Commissioner  
Department of Public Health



Date: 6/9/2023

Re: Regulation Requiring a Permit for Cremation, Burial at Sea, Body Donation, or other  
Non-Burial Disposition Methods Related to Deceased Persons

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In accordance with § 8-407(a) of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, submitted herewith for legal review and approval is the “Regulation Requiring a Permit for Cremation, Burial at Sea, Body Donation, or other Non-Burial Disposition Methods Related to Deceased Persons,” which has been approved by the Board of Health; and (2) the Law Department approval for this regulation.

The following procedural actions have been taken:

Regulation approved by the Board of Health	6/8/2023
Regulation approved by the Law Department	6/9/2023

It is requested that the attached “Regulation Requiring a Permit for Cremation, Burial at Sea, Body Donation, or other Non-Burial Disposition Methods Related to Deceased Persons” be filed for final action by the Department of Records.

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Attachments:

Law Department approval memorandum  
Regulation Requiring a Permit for Cremation, Burial at Sea, Body Donation, or other Non-Burial  
Disposition Methods Related to Deceased Persons