

MONTANA OFFICE OF VITAL STATISTICS
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PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

WHO CAN ORDER A DEATH CERTIFICATE?

Complete copies of a certified death certificate will be issued to anyone who submits a completed application, establishes their identity, and lists the reason for needing the copy. If a death certificate lists the cause of death as "pending autopsy" or "pending investigation", a certified copy which as the cause of death information removed will be issued.

IDENTIFICATION IS REQUIRED

The person signing the request must provide an enlarged legible photocopy of both sides of their valid driver's license or other legal picture identification with a signature or the requestor must have this application notarized.

SEE LIST OF ACCEPTABLE IDENTIFICATION

IMPORTANT: If the identification requirement is NOT met or if the application is incomplete, your request will be returned and significant delays in processing your order may occur.

FEE (All fees must be U.S. funds)

- **CERTIFIED COPIES OF A DEATH CERTIFICATE** cost \$12.00 for the first copy, \$5.00 for each additional copy of the same record. **(non-refundable)**
- **INFORMATIONAL COPIES OF A DEATH CERTIFICATE** the cost is \$10.00. **(non-refundable)**
- **CERTIFIED COPIES OF DOCUMENTS** on file with the state (i.e., correction affidavits), **the cost is \$12.00 (non-refundable)**
- **SEARCHES:** \$10.00 for the first 5 years searched, then \$1.00 per year over the first five years per name requested. (An informational copy will be issued if record is found) **(non-refundable)**

SHIPPING

\$10.50 shipping and handling fee **(for fax or credit card orders only)**
 \$18.00 for Express Courier weekday delivery in the continental United States. (delivered before 6:00 pm) **(for fax or credit card orders only)**
 \$20.00 for Express Courier weekday delivery in the continental United States. (delivered before noon, only available in major cities) **(for fax or credit card orders only)**
 \$25.00 for Express Courier weekday delivery to Alaska and Hawaii. **(for fax or credit card orders only)**

Method of Delivery: _____ Regular Mail _____ Express Courier (cannot be delivered to a PO BOX) (package must be signed for)

Credit Card # _____ **Expiration Date** _____

Please complete the following information.

Decedent's Name: _____

Date of Death (We need a date to begin searching if date is unknown): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Place of Death: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Parents Names: _____

Occupation: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Number of Copies _____ Type of record needed? Certified _____ Not Certified _____

Reason record is needed _____

Mailing or Delivery Address:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Daytime Telephone Number: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Relationship:** _____

Notary (For use if needed)

_____ personally appeared before me and whose identity I proved on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the signer of the above instrument.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Notary Public in and for the State of _____

Residing at _____ My commission expires _____

SEAL

Official Use Only

Date _____

Rec # _____

Amount _____

Cert # _____

Ser # _____

Comment _____

NOTICE: STATE LAW PROVIDES PENALTIES FOR PERSONS WHO WILLFULLY AND KNOWINGLY USE OR ATTEMPT TO USE THIS CERTIFICATE FOR ANY PURPOSE OF DECEPTION. (50-15-114, MCA)

Suggested Identification

Picture ID with a Signature	OR Two Forms of ID – One MUST have a Signature	OR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver’s License • State ID Card • Passport • Military ID Card • Tribal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Security Card • Work ID Card • Car registration/Insurance • Doctor/Medical record • Fishing License • US Military DD214 • Utility Bill with a current address • Voter Registration Card • Credit/Debit/ATM Card • School ID Card • Library Card • Insurance Record • Pay Stub • Traffic/ Pawn ticket • Court record • Year Book 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notarized Montana Office of Vital Statistics Statement to Identify certified Birth or Death Certificate Applicant form (you must provide the original letter, not a photocopy or faxed copy) • Have an authorized family member that has an ID order the certificate

If a picture ID with a signature is not available, two other forms of identification are required; one **MUST** have a signature. Please include photocopies **of both sides** of the ID when mailing your request. A Notarized Statement to Identify certified Birth or Death Certificate Applicant form must be obtained from the Montana Office of Vital Statistics. Please call (406) 444-2685 for this form.