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FD 1.01 Authority and intent. This chapter is adopted pursuant to authority of ss. 15.08 (5) (b), 227.11 and 445.03, Stats., to clarify and establish licensure criteria for funeral directors and funeral establishments.

History: Cr. Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.02 Examination applications. Applications for taking the examination for funeral director or embalmer must be on file at least 30 days before the date of the examination. The board may accept applications after the 30-day limit if the circumstances warrant such procedure.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1978, No. 270, eff. 7-1-78; renum. from FDE 2.01, Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.03 Examination grade. The examination for a funeral director's license shall consist of 2 parts, funeral service arts and funeral services sciences. In order to pass the examination a person shall attain a grade of not less than 75 on each of the 2 parts.

History: Cr. Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.04 Two academic years of instruction. To meet the requirements of 2 academic years of instruction specified in s. 445.045 (1) (d), Stats., an applicant must submit to the board an official transcript of courses from a college or university recognized by the north central association of colleges and secondary schools, showing that the applicant has completed at least the semester credit hours shown below in the following areas:

	<u>Minimum Semester Credit Hours</u>
(1) English & Speech	6
(2) Social Sciences such as:	12
(a) Psychology	
(b) History	
(c) Sociology	
(d) Political Science	
(e) Economics	
(3) Natural Sciences such as:	15
(a) Anatomy	
(b) Physiology	
(c) Chemistry	
(d) Microbiology	
(e) Biology	
(f) Bacteriology	

(4) Business Studies	13
(5) Electives	<u>14</u>
TOTAL —	60

History: Cr. Register, June, 1978, No. 270, eff. 7-1-78; r. and recr. (4), r. (5) and renum. (6) to be (5), Register, June, 1979, No. 282, eff. 7-1-79; am. Register, January, 1980, No. 289, eff. 2-1-80; renum. from FDE 2.03 and am., Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.05 Mortuary school. The following shall be accepted as compliance with s. 445.045 (1) (e), Stats. The candidate shall have satisfactorily completed 9 months or more instruction in a prescribed curriculum in funeral service education offered by an educational institution accredited by the American board of funeral service education or otherwise deemed to be equivalent by the funeral directors examining board.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1978, No. 270, eff. 7-1-78; renum. from FDE 2.04 and am., Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88; correction made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 6, Stats., Register, December, 1989, No. 408.

FD 1.06 Proof of academic training. The following shall be accepted by the board as proof that the academic training requirements of s. 445.095 (1) (a), Stats., concerning registration as an apprentice funeral director or embalmer have been met: A signed statement by the registrar of any college or university recognized by the north central association of colleges and secondary schools that the applicant has successfully completed one academic year of instruction in the college or university or has an equivalent education which will permit admission to the college or university with sophomore status.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1978, No. 270, eff. 7-1-78; r. (2), Register, January, 1980, No. 289, eff. 2-1-80; renum. from FDE 2.05 and am., Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.07 Apprenticeship credit. An apprentice certified under s. 445.095 (1), Stats., shall be granted credit toward the term of his or her apprenticeship for a period of employment of no less than 40 hours in each of 2 consecutive weeks. However, credit for a shorter period of employment may be approved if an apprentice submits evidence satisfactory to the board that an exception be made.

History: Cr. Register, November, 1983, No. 335, eff. 12-1-83; renum. from FDE 2.135, Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.08 Permits. (1) Before opening for business, and every 2 years thereafter, a funeral establishment operator shall obtain a permit from the board through application upon a form furnished by the board. An original permit may not be granted to an operator of a funeral establishment without an inspection. No permit may be granted to

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a funeral establishment which does not meet requirements in s. 445.01, Stats.

(2) Prior to granting a permit to a licensed funeral establishment following a change in ownership, the board shall review the application to determine if an inspection is necessary.

(3) A funeral establishment permit is not transferable from one premises to another or from one operator to another.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1978, No. 270, eff. 7-1-78; am. (1), renum. (2) to be (3) and am., cr. (2), Register, May, 1983, No. 329, eff. 6-1-83; cr. (4), Register, July, 1986, No. 367, eff. 8-1-86; renum. from FDE 2.10 and r. (4), Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.09 Preparation rooms. (1) Every installation used for embalming operations must contain a floor area of not less than 100 square feet per embalming table and must be used solely for this purpose. It must be isolated by walls or adequate partitions. The walls and furniture must be constructed of material that is easily washed and disinfected. The installation must be equipped with hot and cold running water supply under pressure and in a quantity sufficient for the operations performed therein as well as for cleaning the room. Waste water must flow into the main sewer if available or into an adequate septic tank. Hand washing facilities should be easily accessible.

(2) All preparation rooms in funeral establishments must be equipped with adequate sanitary facilities so that no health hazards are produced as a result of embalming operations performed therein.

(3) All preparation rooms shall be equipped with a ventilating system capable of expelling gases or fumes to the outside at a point so as not to create a nuisance, and shall also be equipped with a hard surface, metal or porcelain top embalming table, a set of essential embalming instruments and a supply of disinfectants.

History: Cr. Register, July, 1988, No. 391, eff. 8-1-88.

FD 1.10 Requirements for renewal; restoration of licenses. (1) A funeral director who files an application for renewal of a license less than 30 days after the expiration of the applicant's last license, may renew the license by payment of the fees under s. 440.08 (2) and (3) (a) 1, Stats., and by furnishing proof of completion of at least 15 hours of continuing education during the previous 2 year licensure period under s. 445.06, Stats., and s. FD 4.03.

(2) A funeral director who files an application for renewal of a license 30 days or more after the expiration of the applicant's last license, but within 5 years after the expiration date, may renew the license by payment of the fees under s. 440.08 (2) and (3) (a) 2, Stats., and by furnishing proof of completion of at least 15 hours of continuing education during the previous 2 year licensure period under s. 445.06, Stats., and s. FD 4.03.

(3) A funeral director who files an application for renewal more than 5 years after the renewal date may be reinstated by filing with the board an application and fees under s. 440.08 (2) and (3) (a) 2, Stats., and the board may require demonstration of competence by various methods, including, but not limited to, written or oral examination, documentation of funeral directing work in other jurisdictions, or documentation of current education or experience in the field. Any examination or education required under this section shall not be more extensive than the educational or examination requirements for an initial credential from the board.

(4) The time limitations prescribed in this section shall not include the service period of a funeral director as an active member of the U.S. armed forces.

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