

Kansas Administrative Regulations

State Board of Mortuary Arts

Article 3.—Preparation and Transportation of Bodies, Burial in Mausoleums and Funeral Establishments

63-3-18. Requirements for the funeral establishment and branch establishment.

(a) Necessary equipment. Every funeral establishment and branch establishment shall possess and keep on the premises any equipment that the board deems necessary for the conduct of business and the protection of the public health. This equipment shall be kept in good working condition.

(b) Sanitary conditions. All portions of each funeral establishment and branch establishment shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

(c) Preparation room.

(1) Every funeral establishment shall maintain, on the premises, a preparation or embalming room. The preparation or embalming room shall be adequately equipped and maintained in a sanitary manner and shall be used only for the preservation and care of dead human bodies. This room shall contain only those articles, facilities, and instruments necessary for the preparation of dead human bodies for burial or final disposition. Those articles, facilities, and instruments shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

(2) The minimal requirements for a preparation or embalming room shall be as follows:

(A) Each preparation or embalming room shall be equipped with the following:

(i) A sanitary floor made of nonporous material;

(ii) adequate ventilation;

(iii) suitable and sanitary material, methods, and equipment, which shall be used to clean and disinfect all embalming instruments;

(iv) running hot and cold water;

(v) an exhaust fan. This exhaust fan shall be permanently installed, operable, and sufficiently powerful to effectively reduce the formaldehyde concentration in the room;

- (vi) sanitary plumbing connected with a sewer or cesspool; and
- (vii) a porcelain, stainless steel, metal-lined, or fiberglass operating table.

(B) All opening windows and outside doors shall have opaque glass.

(C) Each hydro-aspirator shall be equipped with at least one air breaker.

(D) Containers for refuse, trash, and soiled linens shall be covered or sealed at all times.

(E) The funeral establishment or branch establishment license shall be prominently displayed at all times.

(3) Each preparation room entrance shall be able to be locked and shall display a sign indicating private or restricted entry.

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