

As to subsection (c) of this section, the Commission notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that perhaps written authorization should take precedence over a telegram if the written authorization arrives before the body is cremated.

Defined terms: "Body" § 5-101  
 "Medical examiner" § 1-101 "Person" § 1-101

5-503. SAME -- TIME INTERVAL.

A PERSON MAY NOT CREMATE A BODY UNTIL AT LEAST 12 HOURS AFTER DEATH.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 43, § 367B(a).

The only changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Body" § 5-101  
 "Person" § 1-101

5-504. TRANSPORTING TO CREMATORY.

A PERSON MAY NOT TRANSPORT A BODY TO A CREMATORY WITHOUT USING A COT AND POUCH OR RECEPTACLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 43, § 367B(c).

Defined terms: "Body" § 5-101  
 "Person" § 1-101

5-505. USE OF CASKET IN CREMATION.

(A) CASKET NOT REQUIRED.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON MAY NOT REQUIRE THAT A CREMATION BE PERFORMED WITH A CASKET. HOWEVER, THE USE OF A SIMPLE CONTAINER MAY BE REQUIRED.

(B) USE OF CASKET.

THE PERSON ARRANGING FOR FINAL DISPOSITION OF A BODY MAY SPECIFY THAT A CASKET:

- (1) BE USED BEFORE CREMATION;
- (2) BE CONSUMED DURING CREMATION;
- (3) BE USED AFTER CREMATION; OR