

- (1) Grants a similar waiver to licensees of this State; and
- (2) Has standards for a mortician license that are not lower than those of this State.

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(a) An individual shall obtain an apprentice license from the Board before beginning an apprenticeship in this State.

(b) An applicant for an apprentice license shall pay to the Board a fee set by the Board.

(c) The applicant shall have graduated from 4 years of high school or have the equivalent of 12 years formal education certified by a State Department of Education OR HAVE ATTAINED AN ASSOCIATE OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, OR BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE FROM A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY APPROVED BY AN ACCREDITING AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Certified evidence of a high school or general education diploma OR A COLLEGE DEGREE shall be presented to the Board and made a part of the applicant's record.

(d) (1) The applicant shall demonstrate to the Board the intention of fulfilling the educational requirements for mortician licensure.

(2) The applicant shall appear before the Board with the applicant's sponsor. The sponsor shall hold a current valid mortician license in Maryland and shall be employed by the same funeral home that employs the apprentice.

(3) The practical experience of an apprentice shall include:

(i) Participation in at least 25 funerals;

(ii) Assistance in the embalming of at least 25 dead human bodies; and

(iii) Completion of 2,000 working hours in a licensed funeral establishment under the direct supervision of a licensed mortician. Supervision may include instruction by other licensed morticians employed or supervised by the sponsor.

(4) On termination of the sponsor-apprentice relationship, both the sponsor and the apprentice shall independently notify the Board in writing of:

(i) The date of termination;

(ii) The name, date of death, and date of service for each decedent for whom a funeral service was conducted under paragraph (3)(i) of this subsection in which the apprentice participated; and

(iii) The name, date of death, and date of embalming of each decedent for whom the apprentice assisted in accordance with paragraph (3)(ii) of this subsection.

(iv) Prior approval must be granted by the Board before a change of sponsorship occurs.