

HOW CAN I GET AN OFFICIAL COPY OF A DEATH CERTIFICATE?

At the time of burial, a funeral home will provide certified copies of the death certificate to the family.

Certified copies can also be obtained from the Division of Vital Records Administration (DVRA) located at 9 Ratification Way, Concord, NH 03301. Their telephone number is (603) 271-4650. Contact DVRA for hours, application and fee information.

The bureau of Vital Records website is: <https://sos.nh.gov/archives-vital-records-records-management/vital-records-information/vital-records-administration/>

A death certificate can also be obtained from the town or city where the death occurred.

New Hampshire death records have restricted access. Therefore, in order to obtain a death certificate from the Division of Vital Records or a town or city clerk, one must demonstrate direct or tangible interest in the information. The requirements are set forth in RSA 5-C:82. You can submit a written application for a certified copy of a death record to Vital Records or to any clerk of a town or city's office.

If it is determined that the applicant has provided adequate information to show a direct and tangible interest in the record, the requested certified copies of the death certificate will be provided.

Call the Court's Information Center at 1-855-212-1234 if you have questions.