

REPATRIATION INFORMATION

Postal details of countries accredited to New Zealand are included. Phone, fax and email details can be found on www.mfat.govt.nz/Embassies/2-Foreign-Embassies/index.php

Afghanistan

Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
PO Box 155, Deakin West
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.

Albania

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Algeria

Embassy of the Democratic Republic of Algeria
PO Box 991, Civic Square
ACT 2608, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
3. Packing and sealing certificate.
4. Certificate stating that the body has been laid out according to Islamic rituals.
5. Algerian passport or ID.

Argentina

Embassy of the Argentine Republic
PO Box 5430, Lambton Quay
Wellington 6154

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.

Australia

Australian High Commission
PO Box 4036, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket, made of lead, bronze, zinc or steel or polythene plastic sheeting with a minimum thickness of 0.26mm. In the later case the polythene container must have all excess air removed and both ends hermetically sealed with double welds.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit

Austria

Embassy of Austria
GPO Box 3375, Manuku
Canberra 2603, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

5. Statement from the receiving funeral director (or cemetery) in Austria that the shipment will be received at the border crossing point and that the shipment is desired and permitted.

Bangladesh

Consulate of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh
PO Box 10048, Wellington

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Passport

Barbados

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.

Bahrain

Only Moslem Bahraini human remains will be admitted for burial, No cremated remains are to be shipped to Bahrain.

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Application for transport of the deceased.

Belgium

Embassy of Belgium
19 Arkana Street Yarralumla
Canberra, ACT 2600
Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from the doctor for the deceased.
5. Letter to the Receiving Funeral Director stating the following: first & last name and date of birth of deceased, place of interment, flight itinerary details, next of kin in Belgium.

Cremated remains

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Non-contagious disease letter.
3. Letter to the Receiving Funeral Director stating the following: first & last name and date of birth of deceased, place of interment, flight itinerary details, next of kin in Belgium, and a notarised statement that the remains have been placed in a hermetically sealed container.

Bolivia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Bosnia & Herzegovina

Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina
5 Beale Crescent, Deakin
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Original of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Request for shipment from family.
6. Valid Bosnian passport (or travel certificate issued by embassy).
7. Full flight itinerary, with name address and phone number of consignee.
8. All documents translated into the official language.

Botswana

High Commission for the Republic of Botswana
PO Box 3812, Manuka, ACT 2603
Canberra, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as shipping container.

Documentation

1. Application for entry of deceased, to include name, age, sex, place and cause of death, flight itinerary and mode and place of disposal of body.
2. Certified copy of the death certificate.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Brazil

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Brazil
PO Box 5432, Wellington 6145

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.

2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary.

Contact the Brazilian Embassy in Wellington prior to repatriation.

Britain – see United Kingdom

Brunei

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.

Cambodia

Royal Embassy of Cambodia
5 Canterbury Crescent
Deakin, Canberra 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.

Canada

High Commission of Canada
PO Box 8047, Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Non-contagious disease certificate issued by local health authority.

Chile

Embassy of the Republic of Chile
PO Box 3861, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.

China

Embassy of the Peoples Republic of China
PO Box 17-257, Karori
Wellington 6147

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Two certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.

Columbia

Consulate-General of the Republic of Columbia
PO Box 6133, North Sydney
NSW 2060, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.
5. Passport

Cook Islands

Cook Island High Commission
PO Box 12-242, Wellington, 6144

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

Name of deceased, consignee, and flight details. These three must be advised 24 hours in advance to destination cargo station in the Cook Islands.

Croatia

Embassy of the Republic of Croatia
14 Jindalee Crescent, O'Malley
Canberra 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local health authority.

Cuba

1. Death certificate
2. Embalming certificate

Cyprus

High Commission for Republic of Cyprus
30 Bede Avenue, Deakin
Canberra 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to be submitted to the Office of the Cyprus Commission in Canberra for certification prior to transportation.

1. Letter from funeral directors.
2. Death certificate.
3. Embalming certificate.
4. Medical report.
5. Medical certificate.
6. Full flight itinerary.
7. Passport.

Czech Republic

Embassy of Czech Republic
8 Colgoa Crescent, O'Malley
Canberra 2606, Australia

Documentation

1. Death certificate
 2. Embalming certificate.
 3. Full flight itinerary.
 4. Place of proposed burial.
- Documents to be presented to consulate or embassy for authentication.

Denmark

General

1. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
2. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping casket.

Documentation

1. Death certificate.
2. Embalming certificate.
3. Non-infectious disease letter issued from local health authorities.

Cremation

1. Copy of death certificate
2. Cremation certificate.

Djibouti

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documentation

1. Prior permit by local authorities.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Embalming certificate.
4. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local authorities.

Dominica

Documentation

1. Death certificate.
2. Embalming certificate.
3. Non-contagious disease letter issued by local authorities.
4. Passport.
5. Flight itinerary.
6. Name of party who will receive and facilitate clearance of remains.

Cremated remains

1. Urn in hermetically sealed container.
2. Death certificate
3. Cremation certificate

Ecuador

Consulate of the Republic of Ecuador
PO Box 8396, Auckland 1150

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certificated copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Passport or Ecuadorian identification card.

Egypt

Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt
1 Darwin Avenue, Yarralumla
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
3. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

El Salvador

Consulate of the Republic of El Salvador
1/644 Manukau Road, Epsom
Auckland 1023

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Ethiopia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Three certified copies of death certificate.
2. Three locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Fiji

High Commission for the Republic of the Fiji Islands
PO Box 3940, Wellington 6140

Before acceptance, cause of death must be known by medical authorities.

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Finland

Consulate-General of Finland
PO Box 2402, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Certified copy of death certificate.

2. Non-contraband affidavit from crematorium authority.

France

Embassy of France
PO Box 11-343, Wellington 6142

General

Use of hermetically sealed casket

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Original death certificate.
2. Certificate of cause of death.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Authorisation from mayor of town/village where burial is to take place.
6. Family or representative request for transportation.
7. Inspection by consulate representative.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to have metal plaque with name of deceased.
2. Original death certificate.
3. Notarized form from the French Consulate requesting shipment.
4. Cremation certificate.
5. Cremation authorisation delivered by registered NZ doctor.
6. Inspection by consulate representative.
7. Family or representative request for transportation.

Gabon

General

1. Embalming by US standard embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket glass window for viewing.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container encircled with three metal bands.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Republic of Georgia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.
6. Inspection by consulate representative.

Germany

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
PO Box 1687, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.
3. Statement from the funeral home that the urn contains only the cremated remains of the deceased.

Ghana

High Commission for the Republic of Ghana
13 Numeralla Street, O'Malley
ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.
3. Hermetically sealed container.

Greece

Embassy of Greece
PO Box 24-006, Wellington 6142

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Three certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary.
6. Inspection by embassy representative.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in a wooden box.
2. Certified copy of the death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Grenada

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Two locally issued burial and/or transit permits.
3. Two embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Guatemala

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.

2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Gayana

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Herzegovina – see Bosnia

Hong Kong

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Regional Department of Health
17th & 21st floors,
Wu Chung House
231 Queen's Road East
– Wan Chai, Hong Kong

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.
4. Permit to be applied for prior to transportation.

Documentation

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Two original identity documents/passports.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.

Hungary

Consulate-General of the Republic of Hungary
PO Box 29-039, Wellington 6443

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary including name of Hungarian border station where shipment enters Hungary.
6. Name and address of consignee.
7. Certification that expenses are covered.

Cremated remains

1. Certificate copy of the death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.
3. Deliver directly with name and address of relative in Hungary.

Iceland

Consulate of Iceland
PO Box 443, Auckland 1140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Affidavit with full name of deceased, date and cause of death, age, date and place of birth.
6. Full flight itinerary.

India

High Commission of India
PO Box 4045, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.

3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documentation

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Affidavit with full name of the deceased, date and cause of death, age, date and place of birth, name of consignee in India.
6. Full flight itinerary.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be packed in a wood container.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.
4. Non-contraband affidavit.
5. Affidavit with full name of the deceased, date and cause of death, age, date and place of birth, name of consignee in India.
6. Full flight itinerary.

Indonesia

Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia
PO Box 3543, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Proof of identity and nationality (passport, birth certificate, etc).
6. Affidavit with full name of the deceased, date and cause of death, age, date and place of birth, name of consignee in Indonesia.
7. Full flight itinerary.

Iran

Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran
PO Box 10249, The Terrace
Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally-issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport of the deceased.
6. Provide name, address, and phone number of consignee in Iran.

Ireland

Consulate-General of Ireland
PO Box 279, Auckland 1140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to accompany shipment

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Israel

Consulate of Israel
54 Central Terrace, Kelburn
Wellington 6012

General

1. Embalming is not required if dry ice used (= to 25-30 kgs or 50-60#s)
2. Embalming without drainage or aspiration.
3. Hermetically sealed casket.
4. Use of all-wood outer shipping container (with three iron hoops).

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Certificate from a burial society in Israel stating its willingness to receive the body.

- Certificate stating how the remains are encased in the casket.
- If body is shipped within 30 days from date of death also attach:
- “Tahara” certificate.
 - Embalmer’s certificate
 - An application for a shipping permit.

Italy

Embassy of Italy
PO Box 463, Wellington 6140

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Two certified copies of death certificate.
- Locally-issued burial and/or transit permit.
- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
- Data sheet containing: full name (including maiden name of women) of deceased, exact date/place of birth (including name of city/town, province or state), exact names of both parents (including mother’s maiden name, name/address/phone number of next of kin residing in NZ, flight itinerary, exact location of burial (city/town/province), photocopy of Italian passport/alien registration card or naturalisation certificate.

Cremated remains

- Two certified copies of the death certificate.
- Certified copy of certificate of cremation.
- Data sheet from funeral home as in “5” above.

Jamaica

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication:

- Certified copy of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.

- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

- Certified copy of the death certificate.
- Cremation certificate from the crematorium.

Japan

Embassy of Japan
PO Box 6340, Wellington, 6140

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Certified copy of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
- Translation of documents into Japanese.

Cremated remains

- Two certified copies of death certificate.
- Two cremation certificates

Jordan

Embassy of the Kingdom of Jordan
20 Roebuck Street, Red Hill
Canberra, ACT 2603, Australia

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Certified copy of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
- Application listing name, occupation, citizenship, cause of death, parents’ name (mother’s maiden name).
- Full flight itinerary.
- Affidavit stating that all expenses have been paid.

Kazakhstan

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Two certified copies of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Kenya

High Commission of for the Republic of Kenya
GPO Box 1990, Canberra City
ACT 2601, Australia

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Certified copy of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
- Embalmer’s (non-contraband) affidavit.
- Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
- Proof of nationality: passport, identity card, or birth certificate.
- Telephone number of next of kin or person making arrangements for the shipment.

Korea – see South Korea

Kuwait

Embassy of the State of Kuwait
PO Box 26, Woden, Canberra
ACT 2606, Australia

General

- Embalming.
- Use of hermetically sealed casket.
- Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

- Certified copy of death certificate.
- Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.

3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Letter requesting transfer of the remains to Kuwait (naming the city/town of burial) on funeral home letterhead.

Laos

Embassy of the Lao People's Democratic Republic
1 Dalman Crescent, O'Malley
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Permission from local government where the burial is to take place.
6. Affidavit from the family in Laos that they will accept shipment and be financially responsible.

Latvia

Consulate of the Republic of Latvia
PO Box 13-600, Christchurch 8141

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Two locally issued burial and/or transit permits.
3. Two embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Two non-contagious disease letters from local health authority.

Plus:

5. Two sets of above documents: first set for any escorts, second set for the airline.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be packed in wood box.
2. Two certified copies of death certificate.

3. Two cremation certificates.
4. Two non-contraband certificates.

Lebanon

Embassy of Lebanon
27 Endeavour Street, Red Hill
Canberra, ACT 2603, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport of the deceased.
6. If the deceased is Lebanese, ID is required.

Lesotho

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
3. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
4. Passport of the deceased

Liberia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Liberia.
6. Passport.

Liechtenstein

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Liechtenstein.

Lithuania

Consulate of the Republic of Lithuania
PO Box 87-243, Meadowbank
Auckland 1742

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Lithuania.
6. Passport or proof of citizenship.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be packed in wooden box
2. Certified copy of death certificate
3. Cremation certificate
4. Non-contraband certificate

Luxembourg

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.

3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Luxembourg.
6. Passport or proof of citizenship

Macedonia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Macedonia.
6. Passport or citizenship.

Malaysia

High Commission of Malaysia
PO Box 9422, Wellington 6141

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Malta

Consulate of Malta
20 Tanera Crescent, Brooklyn
Wellington 6021

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication prior to the casket being transported.

1. Death certificate.
2. Certificate of identity.
3. Embalming certificate.
4. Burial permit (authorisation from local authorities that the corpse may be transported to Malta.
5. Certificate from the local health authorities that the remains may be safely transported without any danger or risk to public health

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in an unbreakable outer container.
2. Death certificate
3. Cremation certificate
4. Non-contraband certificate by crematorium authority
5. Permission to transport ashes, with flight details, date of arrival and intended place of scattering or burial.

Mauritius

High Commission for the Republic of Mauritius
2 Beale Crescent, Deakin
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia
Permission for the shipment must be obtained from the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health in Mauritius.

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Affidavit with name/age/place and cause of death, nationality of the deceased, full flight itinerary with consignee in Mauritius and name of cemetery and proposed date of burial.

Mexico

Embassy of Mexico
PO Box 11 510, Manners Street
Wellington 6142

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed metal casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be translated into Spanish for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
3. Transit permit.

Cremated remains

Use of hermetically sealed urn within a solid container.

Documents

– to be translated into Spanish for authentication

1. Certificate copy of death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.

Note: If the destination of the human or cremated remains is Mexico City, it is necessary to present (in addition to the above) an official identification document (passport, drivers licence) for the deceased.

Micronesia

Department of Health
Government of the Federated States of Micronesia
PS70, Palikir, Pohnpei State
Federated States of Micronesia
96941

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in wooden box.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Monaco

Consulate of Monaco
PO Box 12668, Wellington 6133

Burial in Monaco is permitted only if the deceased was a citizen of Monaco, a resident of Monaco who possessed a Monegasque identity card, or the owner of a burial plot in Monaco regardless of citizenship or residency. All shipments must

be made to SOMOTHA – 14 Avenue Pasteur, Monaco via Nice Airport, Nice, France.

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Mongolia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.

Montenegro – see Serbia

Morocco

Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco
PO Box 3531, Manuka
ACT 2603, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Authorisation for burial from the authorities in the place of burial.

6. Affidavit from the funeral director that the family will be financially responsible for all expenses.

Mozambique

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally-issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in outer container.
2. Certified copy of death certificate
3. Cremation certificate

Myanmar

Embassy of the Union of Myanmar
22 Arkana Street, Yarralumla
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in outer container.
2. Certified copy of death certificate
3. Cremation certificate

Nauru

Consulate of the Republic of Nauru
17 Watling Street, Mt Eden
Auckland 1024

Prior to shipment, consent for shipping must be obtained from the Chief Secretary of the Republic of Nauru, Government Offices, Yaren District, Nauru Island.

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.

3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in outer container.
2. Three certified copies of the death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Nepal

No shipment of human remains is permitted.

Cremated remains

1. Urn placed in a wooden box
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Netherlands

Royal Netherlands Embassy
PO Box 840, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Affidavit with full flight itinerary and name of consignee.

Nicaragua

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.

3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.
6. Birth certificate of deceased.
7. Letter from funeral home requesting issuance of Nicaraguan death certificate.

Nigeria

High Commission for the Federal Republic of Nigeria
PO Box 241, Civic Square
ACT2608, Canberra, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Four certified copies of death certificate.
2. Four locally issued burial and/or transit permits
3. Four embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits
4. Four non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.

Nuie

High Commission for Nuie
PO Box 12048, Wellington 6144

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Norway

Royal Norwegian Embassy
17 Hunter Street, Yarralumla
Canberra, ACT2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Pakistan

High Commission for Pakistan
282 Onslow Road
Khandallah, Wellington 6035

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Affidavit stating that all charges have been paid.
6. Full flight itinerary including name of consignee in Pakistan.

Panama

Consulate of the Republic of Panama
PO Box 2062, Shortland Street,
Auckland 1140

Contact Honorary Consul-General in Auckland for confirmation

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Proof of Panamanian citizenship.
6. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Panama.

Papua New Guinea

Papua New Guinea
High Commission
PO Box 197, Wellington 6140

Authorisation is required from the Quarantine Officer, Dept of Public Health – Konedobu, PNG

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. full flight itinerary with name of consignee in PNG.

Paraguay

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Peru

Embassy of the Republic of Peru
PO Box 2566, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Philippines

Embassy of the Philippines
PO Box 12042, Wellington 6144

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication, and must accompany the remains. An official from the Embassy/Consulate shall be present at the sealing of the casket and will certify that the casket contains only the body of the deceased.

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Embalming certificate.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Photocopy of the passport data page of the deceased.
6. Contact details of family members in Philippines and New Zealand including address and phone number.
7. Full flight itinerary.

Poland

Embassy of the Republic of Poland
PO Box 10-211, Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.
4. Inspection and sealing by Polish Consulate representative.

Documents

– to be presented with apostille attached

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Poland.
6. Passport.
7. Permit for burial from local Polish authorities obtained from family members or authorised agent.

Cremated remains

General

1. Urn to be placed in unbreakable outer container.

2. Inspection and sealing by Polish consulate representative.

Documents

1. Two certified copies of the death certificate.
2. Copy of locally-issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Copy of the cremation certificate.
4. Copy of non-contraband letter.
5. Passport.

Apostille to be attached to the death certificate and cremation certificate.

Portugal

Embassy of Portugal
PO Box 9092, Deakin
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Written affidavit by next of kin requesting burial in Portugal.
6. Full flight itinerary including name of consignee in Portugal.
7. Birth certificate of deceased.
8. Translation of all documents into Portuguese.

Romania

Embassy of Romania
4 Dalman Crescent, O'Malley
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Russia

Embassy of the Russian Federation
PO Box 17262, Karori
Wellington 6147

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.
6. For non-Russian citizens: affidavit from family members in Russia stating they will be financially responsible for the costs, and an affidavit from the local authorities in the Russian community where burial is to take place that there is no objection to the burial.
7. Inspection by consulate representative.

Cremated remains

General

1. Urn must be placed in an unbreakable outer container.
2. Inspection by consulate representative.

Documents

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Copy of cremation certificate.
3. Non-contraband certificate.
4. Affidavit from family in Russia that they will assume responsibility for the urn.

Samoa

Samoan High Commission
PO Box 1430, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.

4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Application listing the name of deceased, date/place/cause of death, and that the body is embalmed, presented to the Department of Health.

Saudi Arabia

Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia
PO Box 9162, Deakin
Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming (embalming may be omitted by the embassy due to religious belief).
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains are not permitted entry in Saudi Arabia.

Serbia, Montenegro, Yugoslavia

Embassy of the Republic of Serbia
PO Box 728, Mawson
Canberra, ACT 2607, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented to the Serbian Consulate in Sydney for the issuance of the approval for the repatriation of the remains.

1. Death certificate.
2. Health Department certificate
3. Embalming certificate/certificate of cremation
4. Letter from the medical practitioner who established the cause of death stating cause of death and whether the deceased died from an infectious disease.
5. Preparation (embalming) certificate issued by the funeral home.
6. Serbian passport.
7. Letter advising place of burial; full name, address & telephone number of person responsible

- for arranging transfer; full name, address & telephone number of person responsible for the funeral arrangements in Serbia.
8. Flight details.

Singapore

Singapore High Commission
PO Box 13-140, Johnsonville
Wellington 6440

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Cremated remains

There is no need to produce a copy of the death certificate or the cremation certificate

Slovakia

Embassy of the Slovak Republic
47 Culgoa Circuit, O'Malley
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Slovakia.
6. Completed application.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in an unbreakable outer container for shipping.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Slovenia

Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia
Level 6, St George's Building
60 Marcus Clarke Street
Canberra, ACT 2601, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Slovenia.
6. Passport.
7. Affidavit by petitioner for shipment of deceased with name/address of family members who will be responsible for burial arrangements.
8. Translation of all documents into Slovenian.

Solomon Islands

High Commission for the Solomon Islands
c/- Prime Minister's Office
PO Box G1, Honoraria
Solomon Islands

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

South Africa

High Commission for the Republic of South Africa
cnr State Circle & Rhodes Place
Yarralumla, Canberra
ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.

3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication (faxed to SA High Commission in Canberra)

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Application with name, age, race, sex, date/place/cause of death, full flight itinerary, and proposed place and date of burial.
6. Copy of passport or identity document.

South Korea

Embassy of the Republic of Korea
PO Box 11143, Wellington 6142

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Applications must be verified by embassy.

Spain

Embassy of Spain
PO Box 10-048, Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Three certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Two embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Sri Lanka

High Commission for the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
35 Empire Circle, Forrest Canberra, ACT 2603, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of zinc-lined wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.
6. Letter from the diplomatic representative of the place of death.

Cremated remains

1. Cremation certificate.
2. Certified copy of death certificate
3. Ashes to be placed in a sealed metal container.

Sudan

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.

Sweden

Embassy of Sweden
5 Turrana Street, Yarralumla Canberra, ACT 2600, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Switzerland

Embassy of Switzerland
PO Box 25004, Wellington 6146

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Switzerland.

Syria

Embassy of Syrian Arab Republic
41 Culgoa Circuit, O'Malley Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Two locally issued burial and/or transit permits.
3. Two embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Two non-contagious disease letters from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Syria.
6. Documentation of nationality.

Taiwan

Taipei Economic & Cultural Office
PO Box 10250, The Terrace
Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Two certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary with name of consignee in Taiwan.
6. Passport.

Tanzania

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Thailand

Royal Thai Embassy
PO Box 17-226, Wellington 6147

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Trinidad & Tobago

Consulate of Trinidad & Tobago
PO Box 105042, Auckland 1143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.

Tunisia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container (encircled with three metal outer hoops).

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Turkey

Embassy of the Republic of Turkey
PO Box 12-248, Wellington 6144

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.
4. Only bodies of ex-Turkish citizens will be permitted entry.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Three certified copies of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Two embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Two non-contagious disease letters from local health authority.
5. Turkish ID card & passport.

Uganda

High Commission for the Republic of Uganda
PO Box 34, Woden
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Passport.

Ukraine

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

United Arab Emirates

Embassy of the United Arab Emirates
12 Bulwarra Close, O'Malley
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

United Kingdom

British High Commission
PO Box 1812, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of a hermetically sealed zinc-lined casket.

Documentation

1. Certified copy of the death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) certificate.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in unbreakable outer shipping container.
2. Certificate copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.
4. Non-contraband certificate.

United States of America

Embassy of the United States of America
PO Box 1190, Wellington 6140

General

1. Embalming by standard method.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Embalming certificate.
6. Name and address of consignee funeral director.
7. Full flight itinerary.

Cremated remains

1. Death certificate.
2. Cremation certificate.
3. Certificate from the crematorium stating that the container holds only the remains of the deceased.

Uruguay

Embassy of Uruguay
PO Box 5058, Kingston
Canberra, ACT 2604, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of casket air tray as outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Faxed copy of final airway bill to Embassy

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in unbreakable outer container for shipping.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.
4. Non-contraband certificate.
5. Copy of cremation authorisation signed by family.

Venezuela

Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
PO Box 37, Woden
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Seven certified copies of death certificate.
2. Five locally-issued burial and/or transit permits.
3. Five embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavits.
4. Five non-contagious disease letters from local health authority.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in unbreakable outer container for shipping.
2. Seven certified copies of death certificate.
3. Five cremation certificates.

Vanuatu

High Commission for the Republic of Vanuatu
c/- Department of Foreign Affairs
Private Mail Bag 051, Port Vila
Republic of Vanuatu

No information provided.

Below is the type of information provided by other countries:

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.

Vietnam

Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam
PO Box 8042, Wellington 6143

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Quarantine permit (available from the Embassy) completed by family member in Vietnamese.

Yugoslavia – see Serbia

Zambia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication

1. Certified copy of death certificate.
2. Locally issued burial and/or transit permit.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Full flight itinerary.
6. Application with name of deceased, reason for request for burial in Zambia.

Cremated remains

1. Urn to be placed in unbreakable outer container for shipping.
2. Certified copy of death certificate.
3. Cremation certificate.

Zimbabwe

Embassy of the Republic of
Zimbabwe
11 Culgoa Circuit, O'Malley
Canberra, ACT 2606, Australia

General

1. Embalming.
2. Use of hermetically sealed casket.
3. Use of all-wood outer shipping container.

Documents

– to be presented for authentication and must reach the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before the body can be repatriated.

1. Death certificate.
2. Post mortem certificate.
3. Embalmer's (non-contraband) affidavit.
4. Non-contagious disease letter from local health authority.
5. Permit (from concerned country's authorities) to repatriate the body.
6. Surrender of Zimbabwe passport.

APOSTILLE CERTIFICATION

Before certain New Zealand documents can be used overseas, document legalisation may be necessary.

This is usually required where overseas officials are not able to determine on sight the authenticity of New Zealand documents. To check the requirements, contact the relevant authorities in the country concerned, or their overseas representatives.

The process varies depending on the document type and country requirements.

How to obtain an Apostille Certificate

Apostille Certificates are available for use in countries that have signed the Hague Convention abolishing the requirement of legislation for foreign public documents.

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http://www.dia.govt.nz/diawebsite.nsf/wpg_URL/Services-Apostille-Certification-Index?OpenDocument&ExpandView
