EDRS Death Registration Information

EDRS Filing hours
Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Emergency Disposition Permits
Saturdays and Sundays: 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

The emergency service disposition permits are available on Saturdays and Sundays with the exception of County holidays. Emergencies are defined as deaths that occur after 12:00 noon on the proceeding business day where the deceased was a member of the Muslim, Jewish, or other religious faith that practices the disposition of the body within 1 – 2 days after death. Emergency service is for disposition permits only. It is not available for Birth certificates, certified copies of Birth/Death records or Disposition permits that are not emergencies related to religion based time frames.

Procedure
Upon a death within Santa Barbara County that meets criteria for emergency service disposition permits, the mortuary contacts the Public Health Department after hour’s phone line (805-681-5280) between the designated emergency service disposition permit hours. The after-hours on-call service contacts a Vital Records Office employee. The registrar on call will contact you if needed; otherwise the processing of disposition permits will occur according to the same procedures as used during the work week.

Fees
Permit - $11.00
Death Certificates - $16.00
Fetal Death Certificates - $13.00

Submission of fees and documents
Within 24 hours of receiving permit, please submit check payable to Santa Barbara County Vital Records with appropriate fees along with signed copy of burial permit. If ordering certified copies include application for certified copies of death certificate and self addressed stamped envelope or a $2 mailing fee.

Processing time
Allow up to 1 hour for MI review or registration, to expedite process sees our “how to avoid delays” information.