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QUESTION 1

SINGLE CHOICE

Under the California Health and Safety Code, who is authorized to sign the cremation authorization form on behalf of a deceased person?

- ☐ A Only the surviving spouse of the deceased
- ☒ B The decedent's designated agent under a valid written authorization, an immediate family member, or other person as specified by law
- ☐ C Any friend of the family who attests to the wishes of the deceased
- ☐ D Only a court-appointed legal guardian

ANSWER B

WHY California Health and Safety Code Section 103775 establishes a priority order of persons authorized to sign a cremation authorization, beginning with a designated agent under a prior written authorization, then specific categories of immediate family members, and finally other persons as defined by statute. Friends without a documented legal relationship are not on the authorized list, and a spouse is one category among several rather than the sole signatory.

QUESTION 2

SINGLE CHOICE

Which document must the crematory manager retain as part of the required records for each cremation performed in California?

- ☐ A The deceased's last will and testament
- ☒ B A signed cremation authorization, identification of the human remains received, and the date and time of cremation
- ☐ C The funeral director's personal notes from the arrangement conference
- ☐ D A copy of the death certificate filed with the Social Security Administration

ANSWER B

WHY California regulations require crematories to maintain specific records for each cremation, including the signed authorization, identifying information for the remains received, and the date and time of the cremation. Wills, arrangement notes, and SSA filings are not part of the mandated cremation record set.

QUESTION 3

SINGLE CHOICE

Before cremation may proceed in California, what identification step is required regarding the human remains?

- ☐ A Photographic identification only is acceptable
- ☒ B The remains must be identified by a licensed funeral director or other authorized person, and a written identification confirmation must be completed
- ☐ C Identification is the sole responsibility of the family and need not be documented
- ☐ D A verbal identification by any witness is sufficient

ANSWER B

WHY California law requires that human remains be identified by a licensed funeral director or other authorized person, and that this identification be documented in writing prior to cremation. Sole reliance on photography, undocumented family identification, or unwitnessed verbal identification does not satisfy the regulatory standard.

QUESTION 4

MULTIPLE CHOICE

A crematory manager is reviewing daily startup procedures for a retort. Which of the following are required elements of a safe and compliant operating sequence? (Choose two.)

- ☒ **A Documenting the working condition of the retort, emissions control equipment, and ignition system before each cremation cycle**
- ☐ B Starting the cremation cycle with the primary chamber at ambient temperature regardless of refractory condition
- ☒ **C Verifying that the cremation authorization, identification paperwork, and required permits are complete before introducing remains**
- ☐ D Inserting multiple unidentified containers together to maximize daily throughput

ANSWER A • C

WHY Daily startup for a retort requires documented inspection of the retort, emissions control equipment, and ignition system, and confirmation that all authorization, identification, and permit documents are complete before remains are introduced. Beginning a cycle at ambient temperature and co-cremating unidentified containers violate both safe operating practice and California identification rules.

QUESTION 5

SINGLE CHOICE

How long must a California crematory retain its cremation records after the date of cremation?

- ☐ A Six months
- ☐ B One year
- ☒ **C At least three years, or longer if otherwise required by law**
- ☐ D Records may be destroyed immediately after the family picks up the remains

ANSWER C

WHY California regulations require cremation records to be retained for a minimum of three years following cremation, and for longer periods when other laws require it. The shorter retention periods and immediate destruction are not consistent with the regulatory standard.

QUESTION 6

SINGLE CHOICE

Emissions from a crematory retort in California are regulated primarily by which agency?

- ☐ A California Department of Consumer Affairs
- ☐ B California Cemetery and Funeral Bureau
- ☒ C Local air quality management district or the California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- ☐ D U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

ANSWER C

WHY Air emissions from crematories are regulated as an air pollution source. In California, this is handled by the local air quality management district or, on a statewide basis, by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). The Cemetery and Funeral Bureau regulates licensing and conduct, not emissions, and the other agencies listed are not the correct authority.

QUESTION 7

SINGLE CHOICE

A crematory operates multiple shifts with several operators. Under California regulations, who is responsible for ensuring that each operator follows proper cremation procedures?

- ☐ A The cremation technician alone, with no supervisory oversight
- ☒ B The crematory manager, who is accountable for supervising staff and ensuring compliance with applicable laws and regulations
- ☐ C The family of the deceased
- ☐ D The local police department

ANSWER B

WHY The crematory manager is designated as the licensed individual responsible for the operation of the crematory, including supervision of staff and ensuring compliance with California law. Operators may perform duties, but oversight responsibility rests with the manager, not with families or law enforcement.

QUESTION 8

SINGLE CHOICE

When a crematory receives human remains, what is the correct standard for handling personal effects found with the body?

- ☐ **A** All personal effects are automatically cremated with the remains unless prohibited
- ☒ **B** Personal effects are inventoried and handled according to the authorization and applicable law, with hazardous or prohibited items removed before cremation
- ☐ **C** Personal effects may be discarded at the operator's discretion
- ☐ **D** Personal effects must always be returned to the family before cremation, with no exceptions

ANSWER B

WHY California practice and regulation require personal effects to be inventoried and handled according to the cremation authorization and applicable law. Hazardous items such as batteries, pacemakers, and prostheses must be removed before cremation. Automatic cremation of effects, operator disposal, or absolute pre-cremation return are not correct standards.

QUESTION 9

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which of the following are required when releasing cremated remains to the authorized recipient in California? (Choose two.)

- ☒ **A** Positive identification of the remains by the authorized recipient and a signed receipt documenting the release
- ☐ **B** Placement of the remains in a temporary container and silent handoff without any paperwork
- ☒ **C** Verification that the person taking custody is the authorized recipient named on the cremation authorization
- ☐ **D** Release of remains to any person who verbally claims to be a family member without documentation

ANSWER A - C

WHY Release of cremated remains requires verification that the person receiving them is the authorized recipient on the authorization form, positive identification of the remains, and a signed receipt documenting the release. A silent, undocumented handoff and unverified verbal claims do not satisfy California requirements.