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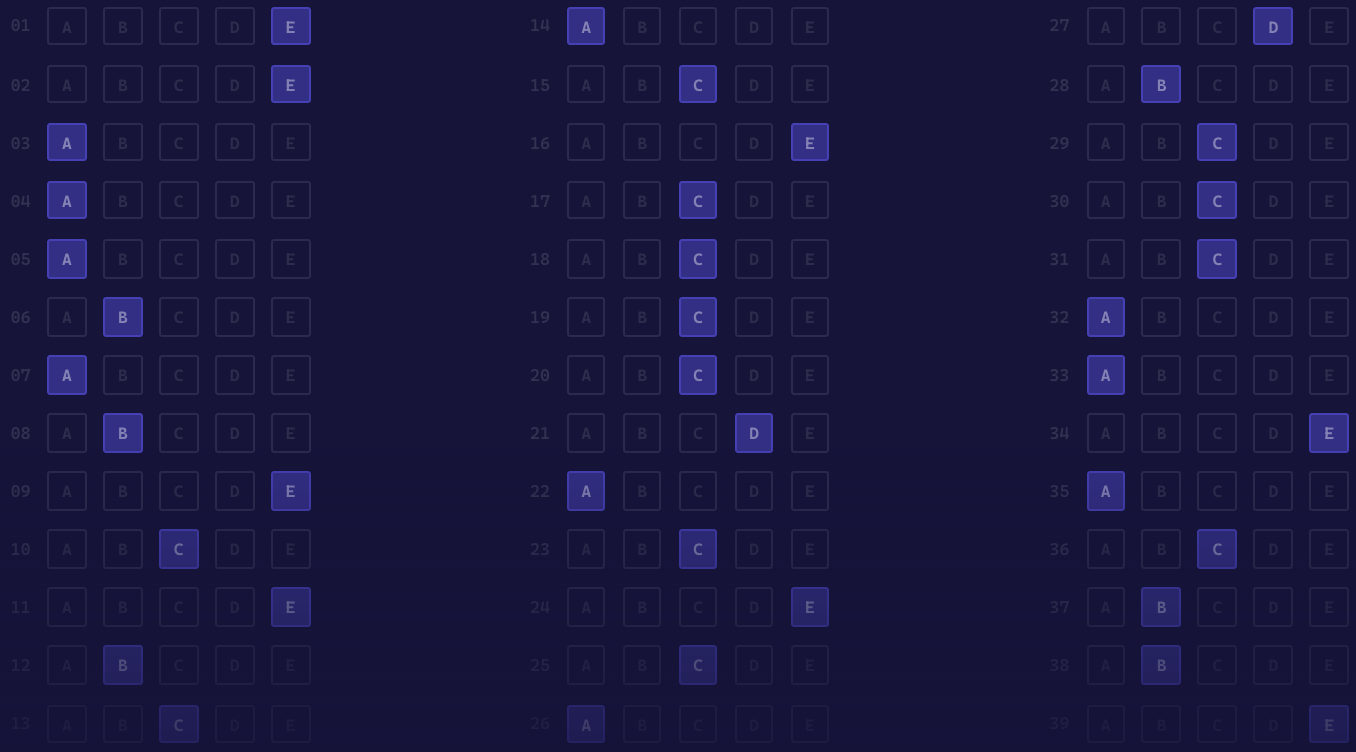

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

CA CEMETERY AND FUNERAL BUREAU

RZH7TLTS

CA Embalmer California Law Examination

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QUESTION 1 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Under the California Business and Professions Code, which of the following requirements must be met before a licensed embalmer may embalm a human remains? (Choose two.)

A **The embalmer must hold a valid and current California embalmer license issued by the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau.**

B **The next of kin or person with the right to control disposition must provide written authorization for embalming.**

C The embalmer must personally conduct a religious ceremony prior to beginning the embalming procedure.

D The embalmer must register the death with the California Department of Public Health before embalming.

ANSWER **A** · **B**

WHY Correct: A and B. Under the Business and Professions Code, a person must hold a valid embalmer license issued by the Bureau to perform embalming in California, and embalming may not lawfully be performed absent authorization from the person with the right to control disposition of the remains. C is incorrect because the embalmer is not required by statute to conduct any religious ceremony. D is incorrect because death registration is the responsibility of the funeral director and local registrar, not a prerequisite the embalmer personally fulfills before each embalming.

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QUESTION 2 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which of the following are requirements established by the California Health and Safety Code regarding the handling of human remains? (Choose two.)

A **A death must be reported to the local registrar before a burial permit can be issued.**

B Human remains must be transported in a sealed casket at all times when moved on public highways.

C **Refrigeration or other preservation of remains is required when disposition will not occur within a specified timeframe.**

D The embalmer must personally accompany human remains during any interment.

ANSWER **A · C**

WHY Correct: A and C. The Health and Safety Code requires that deaths be registered with the local registrar before permits authorizing disposition can be issued, and it mandates timely refrigeration or preservation of remains when disposition is delayed. B is incorrect because the Code does not mandate a sealed casket during every transport on public highways. D is incorrect because there is no statutory requirement that the embalmer personally attend every interment.

QUESTION 3 SINGLE CHOICE

Which California state agency is responsible for licensing and regulating embalmers?

A **Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery and Funeral Bureau**

B California Department of Public Health

C Medical Board of California

D Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers

ANSWER **A**

WHY Correct: A. The Cemetery and Funeral Bureau, within the Department of Consumer Affairs, is the California agency that licenses and regulates embalmers. B is incorrect because the Department of Public Health handles vital records but does not license embalmers. C is incorrect because the Medical Board regulates physicians, not embalmers. D is incorrect because there is no separate Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers; that function resides in the Bureau.

QUESTION 4 SINGLE CHOICE

Under the Business and Professions Code, which of the following is a permissible basis for disciplinary action against an embalmer licensed in California?

A The embalmer performs competent work but charges a fee lower than competitors in the area.

B **The embalmer refuses to allow inspection of the preparation room by a Bureau representative during business hours.**

C The embalmer chooses to specialize in cosmetic restoration rather than restorative art training.

D The embalmer declines a particular case on grounds of personal scheduling conflict.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. Obstructing or refusing lawful inspection by an authorized representative of the Bureau is grounds for disciplinary action under the Business and Professions Code. A is incorrect because fee competition is not grounds for discipline. C is incorrect because an embalmer is not required to practice a particular subspecialty. D is incorrect because declining a case for a legitimate scheduling reason is not misconduct.

QUESTION 5 SINGLE CHOICE

Under California law, who generally has the primary right to control the disposition of a deceased person's remains?

A The funeral director or embalmer handling the case.

B **The surviving spouse, and if none, the next adult in the statutory priority order.**

C The executor named in the deceased's will, regardless of family relationship.

D The attending physician who certified the death.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. California Health and Safety Code sets a specific priority order of persons with the right to control disposition, beginning with the surviving spouse and proceeding through adult children, parents, siblings, and other relatives as specified. A is incorrect because funeral directors do not have decision-making authority over disposition. C is incorrect because the personal representative of the estate is lower in priority than certain surviving relatives. D is incorrect because the certifying physician has no role in disposition decisions.

QUESTION 6 SINGLE CHOICE

What document must generally be obtained before disposition of human remains may lawfully occur in California?

A A death certificate signed by the attending physician only.

B **A burial or disposition permit issued by the local registrar.**

C A certificate of cremation signed by the embalmer.

D A notarized letter from the next of kin.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. California law requires that a burial or disposition permit be issued by the local registrar before disposition takes place. A is incomplete because a certificate of death alone is not sufficient for disposition; the local registrar must authorize the disposition. C is incorrect because the embalmer does not issue a cremation certificate. D is incorrect because notarization is not a statutory substitute for the permit requirement.

QUESTION 7 SINGLE CHOICE

Under California Bureau requirements, which of the following best describes the standard for an embalmer's preparation room?

A The room must be located in a public area of the funeral establishment to ensure visibility.

B **The room must be sanitary, properly equipped, and suitable for the preparation and preservation of human remains.**

C The room must be constructed entirely of stainless steel surfaces.

D The room may be used simultaneously for embalming and for unrelated public services.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. California regulations require that preparation rooms be sanitary, properly equipped, and adequate for the embalming process. A is incorrect because preparation rooms are not required to be in public areas. C is incorrect because all-stainless construction is not mandated. D is incorrect because preparation rooms must be dedicated to preparation and not used for unrelated purposes.

QUESTION 8 SINGLE CHOICE

Which statement accurately reflects California law regarding the identification and confidentiality of human remains entrusted to an embalmer?

A An embalmer may release identifying information about the deceased to any member of the public upon request.

B The embalmer must take reasonable steps to ensure that remains in his or her care are correctly identified and that confidential information is protected.

C There is no requirement to verify identification; the funeral director's word is sufficient.

D Confidential information may be disclosed only with the embalmer's personal consent.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. California law and professional standards require embalmers to safeguard identification of remains and protect confidential information. A is incorrect because identifying information may not be released indiscriminately. C is incorrect because the embalmer bears an independent responsibility to verify identification. D is incorrect because the embalmer does not control disclosure through personal consent; disclosure is governed by statute.

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QUESTION 9 SINGLE CHOICE

Under California Health and Safety Code provisions applicable to embalmers, when remains cannot be disposed of promptly, what is the required course of action?

A The remains must be embalmed only if the family specifically requests it in service.

B **The remains must be refrigerated or preserved by other approved means within statutory timeframes.**

C The remains may be held at room temperature indefinitely as long as the facility is licensed.

D The remains must be cremated within 24 hours of death.

ANSWER B

WHY Correct: B. California law requires that unembalmed remains be refrigerated or otherwise preserved within specified timeframes when disposition will not occur promptly. A is incorrect because refrigeration or preservation is required independently of family preference. C is incorrect because indefinite holding at room temperature is unlawful. D is incorrect because the law does not impose a 24-hour mandatory cremation requirement.

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