# EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS LAW - LICENSING

## ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED (A.C.A.) TITLE 17, SUBTITLE 2, CHAPTER 29, SUBCHAPTER 3

**CREMATORIUM CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION** 

**UPDATED THROUGH THE 2017 ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION** 

#### A.C.A. § 17-29-313

Current through all laws of the 2017 Regular Session and 2017 First Extraordinary Session

First of 2 versions of this section

# A.C.A. § 17-29-313 Permit required – Crematorium construction – Operation of crematorium. [Effective until July 1, 2018]

(a)

- (1) A crematorium shall not be constructed in this state without a permit issued by the State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.
- (2) In order to receive a permit to construct a crematorium, a person shall:

(A)

- (i) Publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the crematorium is proposed to be constructed stating that the applicant intends to construct a crematorium at a designated location.
- (ii) The notice shall:
  - (a) Be published on the Sunday and Wednesday no more than fifteen (15) days nor less than seven (7) days before submitting an application to the board; and
  - (b) Invite members of the public to submit written protest to the construction of the proposed crematorium to the board at the address designated by the board; and

(B)

- (i) Submit an application to the board for a permit to construct a crematorium.
- (ii) The application for a permit to construct a crematorium shall include:
  - (a) Proof of publication of the notice required under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section;
  - (b) A copy of the permit issued by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality under § 8-4-203 to construct the crematorium; and
  - (c) The fee as prescribed in § 17-29-208.
- (b) (1) Upon receiving a written protest to an application for the construction of a crematorium, the board shall:
  - (A) Schedule a public hearing on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Direct the applicant to publish in a newspaper having general circulation within the county where the crematorium is proposed to be constructed a notice of the date and time of a public hearing on the application.
- (ii) The notice shall be published on the Sunday and Wednesday no more than fifteen (15) days nor less than seven (7) days before the public hearing.
- (2) The public hearing shall be held in the city or county in which the proposed crematorium is to be located.

(c)

- (1) A crematorium shall not be operated in this state without a license issued by the board.
- (2) A person that desires to operate a crematorium in this state shall:
  - (A) Make application to the board on forms furnished by the board;
  - (B) Provide the necessary information as determined by the board;
  - (C) Attach the fee as prescribed in § 17-29-208; and

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- (D) Satisfy the requirements of the board for the safe and sanitary operation of a crematorium as determined by the board.
- (3) The board shall grant the application if the board finds that the proposed crematorium:
  - (A) Complies with all state and federal laws concerning environmental and public health; and
  - (B) Will serve the public interest.

HISTORY: Acts 1993, No. 365, § 1; 2015, No. 1095, § 37.

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### A.C.A. § 17-29-313

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# A.C.A. § 17-29-313 Permit required – Crematorium construction – Operation of crematorium. [Effective July 1, 2018]

(a)

- (1) A crematorium shall not be constructed in this state without a permit issued by the State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services.
- (2) In order to receive a permit to construct a crematorium, a person shall:

(A)

- (i) Publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the crematorium is proposed to be constructed stating that the applicant intends to construct a crematorium at a designated location.
- (ii) The notice shall:
  - (a) Be published on the Sunday and Wednesday no more than fifteen (15) days nor less than seven (7) days before submitting an application to the board; and
  - (b) Invite members of the public to submit written protest to the construction of the proposed crematorium to the board at the address designated by the board; and

(B)

- (i) Submit an application to the board for a permit to construct a crematorium.
- (ii) The application for a permit to construct a crematorium shall include:
  - (a) Proof of publication of the notice required under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section;
  - (b) A copy of the permit issued by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality under § 8-4-203 to construct the crematorium; and
  - (c) The fee as prescribed in § 17-29-208.
- (b) (1) Upon receiving a written protest to an application for the construction of a crematorium, the board shall:
  - (A) Schedule a public hearing on the application; and

(B)

- (i) Direct the applicant to publish in a newspaper having general circulation within the county where the crematorium is proposed to be constructed a notice of the date and time of a public hearing on the application.
- (ii) The notice shall be published on the Sunday and Wednesday no more than fifteen (15) days nor less than seven (7) days before the public hearing.

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(2) The public hearing shall be held in the city or county in which the proposed crematorium is to be located.

(c)

- (1) A crematorium shall not be operated in this state without a license issued by the board.
- (2) A person who desires to operate a crematorium in this state shall:
  - (A) Make application to the board on forms furnished by the board;
  - (B) Provide the necessary information as determined by the board;
  - (C) Attach the fee as prescribed by the board;
  - (D) Satisfy the requirements of the board for the safe and sanitary operation of a crematorium as determined by the board; and

(E)

- (i) Provide to the board proof of liability insurance.
- (ii) The board shall develop and promulgate rules to establish minimum levels of general liability insurance coverage for licensed crematoriums.
- (3) The board shall grant the application if the board finds that the proposed crematorium:
  - (A) Complies with all state and federal laws concerning environmental and public health; and
  - (B) Will serve the public interest.

HISTORY: Acts 1993, No. 365, § 1; 2015, No. 1095, § 37; 2017, No. 788, §§ 22, 23.

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