

ATTESTATION OF DEATH DOCUMENTS / REGISTRATION OF DEATH OF INDIAN NATIONALS /CARRYING MORTAL REMAINS / CARRYING ASHES

Applicant Name:	Passport No.:
Email Address:	Phone No.:

Death related documents for carrying body of the deceased to India will be processed as per the convenience of the applicant, irrespective of consular jurisdiction.

To enable processing on priority, the applicant may visit the Embassy/Consulate in person.

Sr. No	Mandatory Documents Signature of the applicant on all documents should match the signature on their current valid passport
1	Application form Download the Miscellaneous Application form and applicant may fill it up carefully. Note: Here the ‘applicant’ is defined as a person who is a relative/ friend of the deceased or representative of a funeral home, authorized for processing documents.
2	Photograph – Passport Size <u>Paste the applicant’s photo on the application form/s</u> PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATIONS (Must be white background) • 2 Photos of size 51mm x 51 mm (2 by 2 size) preferably White Background– PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE IDENTICAL. • Photo must be taken within 6 months. • Shoulder must be visible • Without glasses • Without flashlight reflection • With dark colored attire to distinguish with white background • With good lighting on the face • Photos must be compliant with specifications; To know more about photo specifications – Please click here
3	Original Passport and a Photocopy Current Passport in original of the deceased and a photocopy. Current Passport in original and copy of the applicant. If the documentation is being done through funeral home, the representative may submit his/her photo I/card and duly signed authorization letter issued by the funeral home. Note: Death of Indian nationals need to be registered in the Embassy and passport needs to be cancelled.
4	US Legal Status – Notarized and Photocopy Notarised photocopy of the document showing valid US Visa Status of the relative or friend who is processing the documents on behalf of the deceased.
5	Copy of Proof of Address in the USA - Notarized and Photocopy Notarised photocopy of any of the following documents as proof of residence of the relative/friend who is doing the documentation work:

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	US Driving License or Utility Bill or Lease Agreement or State Identity Card or Mortgage Deed.
6	Carry all original supporting documents for presentation to the Consular Officer. Photocopies of these documents may be attached with the application. Ensure that photocopies are legible.
7	To carry Mortal Remains: Original and one copy of the following: (a) Death Certificate, clearly stating cause of death or (b) Embalming Certificate from the concerned local authority, or (c) Certificate from the concerned local authority stating that body of the deceased is free from any kind of infection, or (d) Burial/Transit permit. Applicant may also ascertain with concerned Airlines about additional documentary requirements, if any and obtain those from the mortuary/funeral home.
8	To carry Ashes: Original and one copy of the following: (a) Death Certificate or (b) Cremation Certificate. Applicant may also ascertain with concerned Airlines about additional documentary requirements, if any and obtain those from the mortuary/funeral home.
9	Fee: If deceased held an Indian passport: Gratis (No Fee) and VFS service fee \$19.00. Total Fees \$19.00 per application For non-Indian passports- Carrying Ashes: Consular fee - \$40.00 per copy, \$2.00 -ICWF and VFS service fee \$19.00. Total Fees \$61.00 per application Carrying Mortal Remains: Consular fee - \$60.00 per copy, \$2.00 -ICWF and VFS service fee \$19.00. Total Fees \$81.00 per application Attestation of Death Certificate- Consular fee - \$10.00 per copy, \$2.00 -ICWF per copy and VFS service fee \$19.00. Total Fees \$31.00 per application; \$10 for each additional copy The fee can be paid online or through single money order / cashier's cheques, drawn in favor of "VFS Services (USA) Inc". Note: Personal cheques, personal money orders, and other banking instruments are not accepted.