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ALABAMA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's Degree in any field; or Certificate program from ABFSE school	✓		✓ AL Exam \$100	✓ \$50	Served during or after education in AL	50	\$230 & \$230	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate		✓	✓ AL Exam \$100	✓ \$50	Served during or after education in AL	50	\$230 & \$230	
	Cremationist	State & Federal; 21	High School Diploma/GED				✓ \$50	Completion of training course by approved provider every 4 years; completion of manufacturer-led training		\$150 & \$150	

ALASKA	Funeral Director	No; 18	30 semester hours from accredited college/university	✓			✓ \$100	Served anytime in AK	24	\$435 & \$185	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		Degree from accredited funeral service program		✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime in AK	24	\$435 & \$185	
	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served after education in AK	24	\$870 & \$370	

ALBERTA, CANADA	Funeral Director	Yes; NA	Graduate from Alberta approved funeral service program	Province Exam \$300				Served during or after education	25	\$100 & \$100	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Graduate from Alberta approved program	NA				Served during or after education	50	\$100 & \$100	
	FD & Emb. Combination		Graduate from Alberta approved funeral service program	Province Exam \$300				Served during or after education	25 & 50	\$175 & \$175	
	Pre-need Salesperson		Complete approved Pre-need salesperson course	Pass course exam				NA	NA	\$100 & \$100	

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ARIZONA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; NA	Graduate of an accredited or provisionally accredited school or mortuary science	✓			✓ \$80	Served before education	50	\$85 & \$85	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Graduate of an accredited or provisionally accredited school or mortuary science		✓		✓ \$80	Served before education	50	\$85 & \$85	
	Cremationist		Completion of a training course by approved provider						NA	\$85 & \$85	
	Pre-need Salesperson						✓ \$80	NA		\$85 & \$85	
ARKANSAS	Funeral Director	State; 18	High School/GED; complete 6 hours in funeral service pract. & ethics & laws/rules approved by board				✓ \$100	Served anytime	50	\$10 & \$30	Can renew annually or biennially
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime - see Footnote	50	\$10 & \$30	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓	✓	✓ \$100	Served anytime - see Footnote	50 & 50	\$20 & \$60	
	Crematory Operator		High School/GED; completion of training course by an approved provider, manufacturer-led training							\$10 & \$30	
CALIFORNIA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	Associate's Degree in any field or equivalent				✓ \$190	NA		\$380 & \$380	Renew each year
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science		✓		✓ \$280	Served anytime		\$0 & \$190*	
	Crematory Manager		High School/GED				✓ \$680			\$130 & \$150	
	Cremated Remains Disp.		NA							\$190 & \$100	

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COLORADO	Licensure not required. Voluntary certification available through CO FDA.										
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CONNECTICUT	Funeral Director	State; NA	Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓	Served before education	NA	\$210 & \$235	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓	Served before education	50	\$210 & \$115	

DELAWARE	Funeral Director	State & Federal; NA	ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served after education	25	\$188 & \$188	Renew every 2 years
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Funeral Director	No; 18	ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓			✓ \$195	Served after education	25	\$65 & \$130	Renew every 2 years
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓ \$195	Served after education	25 & 25	\$65 & \$130	
	Transporter		NA							\$65 & \$100	
FLORIDA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's or Associate's Degree in MS or other	✓			✓ \$132	Served anytime	Quarterly Reports	\$374-\$562/\$380	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's or Associate's Degree in MS		✓		✓ \$132	Served anytime	Quarterly Reports	\$374-\$562/\$380	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's or Associate's Degree (Associate's in FS or a Bach./Associate's in any subject + 1 yr mort. sci. course)	✓	✓		✓ \$132	Served in FL	Quarterly Reports	\$374-\$562/\$380	
	Preneed Sales Agent		NA					None		\$255 per appointment	
GEORIGIA	Embalmer	No; 18	ABFSE graduate	✓	✓			Served anytime	50	\$50 & \$100	Renew every 2 years
	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$60	Served anytime	50	\$50 & \$100	

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HAWAII	Embalmer	No; 18	Passing score on Sciences section of ICFSEB exam		✓			Not required		\$25 & \$25	Renew each year
IDAHO	Funeral Director	No; 21	60 semester or 90 quarter hours from accredited college plus at least 15 hours from ABFSE program	✓	✓		✓	Served anytime	25	\$85 & \$85	Renew each year
	Mortician		ABFSE graduate; 60 semester or 90 quarter hours from accredited college in addition to ABFSE program	✓	✓		✓	Served anytime	25	\$85 & \$85	
	Certificate of Authority		Must be a licensed funeral director or mortician							\$50 & \$50	
ILLINOIS	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	No; 18	ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's or Associate's Degree in Arts or Science	✓	✓			Served after education	24 & 24	\$100 & \$100	Renew every 2 years

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INDIANA	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination	No; 18	30 semester or 45 quarter hours from postsecondary institution & 4 quarters from accredited school of mortuary science OR 21-month program in mortuary science (all programs must be approved by board).	✓	✓		✓ \$50	Served before education	4	\$50 & \$50	Renew every 2 years
IOWA	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination	No; NA	ABFSE graduate; 60 college credit hours that exclude technical Mortuary Science course	✓	✓		✓	Served after education	12 & 12	\$120 & \$120	Renew every 2 years
KANSAS	Funeral Director	No; 18	60 hours of college (20 in areas defined by law)				✓ \$200	Served after education	25	\$228 prorated & \$228	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓			Split apprenticeship can be served 6 months prior to education, with remaining 6 months served after. OR Full 1 year apprenticeship served after education.	No minimum	\$168 prorated & \$168	
	Crematory Operator		High School/GED	Completion of a training course by an approved provider (must complete 2 hours of CE every two years)						\$50 & \$50	
	Assistant FD		High School/GED				✓	NA		Prorated & \$180	

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KENTUCKY	Funeral Director	Federal; 18	High School/GED	✓			✓ \$100	Served anytime	25	\$75 & \$75	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Associate’s Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime	25	\$75 & \$75	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		High School/GED				✓ \$100	Served anytime	25, 25, 25	NA	
	Transporter		High School/GED	Blood-borne pathogen, state course annually						\$150 & \$150	
LOUISIANA	Funeral Director	No; 18	ABFSE graduate; minimum of 30 college freshman semester hours from SACS or equivalent institution	✓			✓	Served anytime	30	\$250 & \$80	Renew each year
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓			Served anytime	30	\$250 & \$80	
	Crematory Operator		High School/GED	Crematory operator training course by approved provider, manufacturer-led training						\$250 & \$80	
MAINE	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	State; 18		✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served before education	NA	\$230 & \$230	Renew each year
	Attendant			OSHA, blood-borne pathogen training renewed annually						\$80 & \$80	

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MARYLAND	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓			✓ \$265	Served during or anytime if enrolled	20 & 20	\$600 & \$600	Renew every 2 years
	Mortician		Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓ + practical		✓ \$265	Served during or anytime if enrolled	20, 20, 20	\$600 & \$600	
	Crematory Operator		Ability to read & write	Completion of training course by approved provider & manufacturer-led training						\$300 & \$300	
	Transporter		Ability to read & write	Must take courses in transportation regs, blood-borne pathogen, infectious disease, OSHA, Human Dignity Act						\$40	Does not renew
MASSACHUSETTS	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination	State; 18	Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science				✓ \$83	Served anytime	NA	\$66 & \$155	Renew each year
	Funeral Director		High School/GED plus specific coursework							\$31 & \$31	
MICHIGAN	Mortuary Science Licensee	No; NA	3-year mortuary science program at an accredited college or university	✓	✓	✓		Served during education	25	\$60 or \$100 & \$80	Renew every 2 years

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MINNESOTA	Mortician	No; NA	Bachelor's Degree in Science or Arts; or equivalent	✓	✓		✓ \$125	Served after education	75	\$200 & \$200	Renew each year
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MISSISSIPPI	Funeral Director	No; 18	High School/GED	✓				Served anytime	50	Prorated & \$100	Renew every 2 years
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓			Served anytime	25	Prorated & \$125	
	Crematory Operator		NA	Crematory course completion certificate by an approved provider						\$100 & \$100	

MISSOURI	Funeral Director	State; 18	High School/GED plus apprenticeship in lieu of formal education or Certificate of Proficiency programs for funeral director; ABFSE graduate	✓			✓ \$140	Served during education, proof of 10 funeral services conducted	10	\$100 & \$75	Renew every 2 years
	Limited Funeral Director		High School/GED				✓ \$140			\$100 & \$75	
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served after education	25	\$100 & \$75	
	Pre-need Agent	State; 18	NA				✓ \$140	NA	\$40 & \$40	Renew each year	
	Pre-need Agent FD		Must register with the board office								

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MONTANA	Mortician	No; 18	ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Funeral Service or Mortuary Science minimum; Bachelor's Degree in Funeral Service or Mortuary Science	✓	✓			Served after education	25	\$544 & \$435	Renew each year
	Crematory Operator & Technician		High School/GED					None	50	\$435 & \$218	
NEBRASKA	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	State; 19	ABFSE graduate; plus 60 semester hours/college credit in specific areas	✓	✓		✓	Served before or after education	25	\$90 & \$90	Renew every 2 years
NEVADA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	NA	✓			✓ \$190	Must have 1 year of active practice as a Funeral Arranger in NV		\$375 & \$200	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; 60 semester or 90 quarter hours at accredited college or university		✓		✓ \$190	Served anytime	50	\$375 & \$200	
	Funeral Arranger						✓	None		\$375 & \$200	

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NEW HAMPSHIRE	Embalmer	State; 18	ABFSE graduate; 30 credits of postsecondary education		✓		✓ \$150	Served anytime	50 emb 25 fd	Prorated & \$150	Renew every 2 years
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; 30 credits of postsecondary education	✓	✓		✓ \$150	Served anytime	50 emb 25 fd	Prorated & \$300	
NEW JERSEY	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination	No; 21	ABFSE graduate; at least 60 academic credits	✓	✓	✓ JP Exam \$125		Served anytime	75, 75, 25	\$350 & \$175 odd/even	Renew every 2 years
NEW MEXICO	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	No	Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served before education	50, 50, 50	\$200 & \$150	Renew each year

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NEW YORK	Funeral Director	No	ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓	Served after education	Not specific	\$125 & \$125	Renew every 2 years
NORTH CAROLINA	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	Funeral Director program (either Board-approved or ABFSE accredited)	✓		✓ Pathology	✓	Served anytime	25	\$150 & \$75	Renew each year
	Provisional Funeral Director		AAS degree or higher in any field, or diploma in funeral directing from a Board-approved curriculum at an MS accredited college	✓			✓	Not required		\$500 & \$250	
	Embalmer		Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science from ABFSE college		✓		✓	Served anytime	25	\$150 & \$75	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science from ABFSE college	✓	✓		✓	Served anytime	25	\$150 & \$75	
	Transporter	State; 18	Valid NC driver's license, \$500K min Professional Liability Insurance; NC min req. for Vehicle Liability Insurance							\$125 & \$75	
	Crematory Manager		Completion of training course by an approved provider for certification (must recertify if certification expires)							\$150 & \$40	
NORTH DAKOTA	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	No; 18	ABFSE graduate; Associate's or Diploma in Mortuary Science plus 60 semester hours of college credit	✓	✓		✓	Complete 30 hours & be enrolled before apprenticeship begins	25 & 10	\$100 & \$100	Renew each year
	Crematory Operator		Completion of training course by approved provider every 3 years & manufacturer-led training							NA	

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NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA	Funeral Director	Federal; 19	Graduate of Board-approved program and/or completion of 12-month apprenticeship			✓		Served during education	25, 25, 25, 25	\$200 & \$200	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Completion of Board-approved program			✓		Served during education	NA	\$200 & \$200	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; graduate of Board-approved program			✓		Served during education	25, 25, 25, 25	\$200 & \$200	
OHIO	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	Bachelor's Degree in any field	✓			✓ \$140	Served during or after education	50	\$200 & \$200	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		Bachelor's Degree in any field; official mortuary science transcript with at least 12 months instruction	✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served during or after education	25	\$200 & \$200	
	Crematory Operator		High School/GED	Completion of training course by an approved provider, Laws & Rules exam, & refresher course every 2 years						\$150 & \$150	
OKLAHOMA	Funeral Director	No; 18	ABFSE graduate	✓			✓ \$100	Served anytime	50	\$75 & \$75	Renew each year
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate		✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime	25	\$75 & \$75	
	Funeral Director & Embalmer Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime	25	\$75 & \$75	

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ONTARIO, CANADA	Funeral Director 1	Provincial/ Federal; 18	Diploma from Humber College or College Boreal	Entry to Practice Exam(s) & Jurisprudence				Served after education (12 months)	NA	\$284 & \$227.20	Renew each year
	Funeral Director 2		Diploma from Humber College or College Boreal					Served after education (12 months)	NA	\$284 & \$227.20	
	Transfer Svcs. Sales Rep		Certificate from Humber College					Served after education (6 months)	NA	\$284 & \$227.20	
	Funeral Preplanner		Certificate from Humber College					NA	NA	\$284 & \$227.20	
OREGON	Funeral Director	State; 18	Associate's Degree in any accredited field				✓ \$100	Served anytime	25	\$80/\$160 & \$160	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓			Served anytime	35	\$80/\$160 & \$160	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$100	Served anytime	25 & 35	\$160/\$320 & \$320	
	Preneed Salesperson		None							\$150 & \$50	
PENNSYLVANIA	Funeral Director	State; 21	ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$190	Served before graduation	35	\$25 & \$400	Renew every 2 years

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RHODE ISLAND	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	NA; NA	ABFSE graduate; Associate of Applied Science	✓	✓			Served in RI; reports due quarterly		\$30 & \$30	Renew each year
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SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	Funeral Director	Federal; NA	Graduate from institution recognized by Council				✓ \$75	Served after education	30	\$160 & \$160	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Graduate from institution recognized by Council	Practical embalming exam \$75				Served after education	30 (inc. 5 autopsies)	\$160 & \$160	
	Crematory Operator		Completion of provider-approved course; annual CE class				✓ \$175	Observe 5 cremations & conduct 10 cremations		\$160; NA	NA
	Transporter						✓			\$200 & \$200	Renew each year
	Salesperson		Salesperson course				✓	Assist in 6 funerals & arrangements, completion/execution of 10 prepaid contracts		\$160 & \$160	

SOUTH CAROLINA	Funeral Director	State; 18	ABFSE graduate; Bachelor's Degree; or 60 accredited college hours; or 1-year course in funeral directing approved by the Board	✓			✓ \$140	Served anytime	50	\$100 & \$300	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; completion of course in embalming approved by the Board		✓		✓ \$140	Served anytime	50	\$100 & \$300	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate or meet two individual sets of requirements above	✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served anytime	50 each	\$150 & \$320	

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SOUTH DAKOTA	Funeral Director	No; 18	90 credit hours by an accredited institution of higher learning AND obtained a degree or certificate from an ABFSE accredited funeral service program (see footnote)	✓	✓			Served anytime	25	\$125 & \$125	Renew each year
TENNESSEE	Funeral Director	No; 18	Completion of funeral service education program of not less than 30 hours accredited by ABFSE	✓			✓ \$155	Served anytime	Quarterly reports	\$435 & \$235	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate		✓		✓ \$155	Served anytime	Quarterly reports	\$435 & \$235	
	Transporter	Professional liability insurance with a minimum of 1 million dollars coverage								\$350 & \$250	
TEXAS	Funeral Director	State & Federal; 18	Certificate in funeral service OR Associate's Degree in Applied Science	✓			✓ \$89	Served anytime	45	\$175 & \$193	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Applied Science		✓		✓ \$89	Served anytime	45	\$175 & \$193	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; Associate's Degree in Applied Science	✓	✓		✓ \$89	Served anytime	45 & 45	\$350 & \$330	

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UTAH	Funeral Service Director	Background review if on app; NA	Associate's Degree, or equivalent, in Mortuary Science	✓	✓		✓ \$78	Served anytime, at least 2000 hours	50	\$160 & \$88	Renew every 2 years

VERMONT	Funeral Director	NA; 18	ABFSE graduate	✓			✓			\$70 & \$350	Renew every 2 years
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate		✓		✓			\$70 & \$350	
	Crematory Personnel		Proof of completion of up to three hours of education - infectious disease							\$70 & \$125	
	Removal Personnel		Proof of completion of up to three hours of education - infectious disease							\$70 & \$125	

VIRGINIA	Funeral Director	No; 18	ABFSE graduate OR equivalent of 60 credit hours with completion of Board-approved funeral directing program	✓			✓ \$170	Served anytime	25	\$325 & \$225	Renew each year
	Embalmer		ABFSE graduate OR Board-approved program		✓		✓ \$170	Served anytime	25	\$325 & \$225	
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate	✓	✓		✓ \$170	Served anytime	25 & 25	\$325 & \$225	

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				NBE Arts	NBE Sciences	Other Exam	LRR	Served before/ after/during education, etc.?	Case Reports		
WASHINGTON	Funeral Director	Self-Reported background check; 18	Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science—alternative education requirements accepted	✓			✓ \$140	Served before education	Quarterly reports	\$135 & \$203	Renew each year
	Embalmer		Associate's Degree in Mortuary Science		✓		✓ \$140	Served anytime	Quarterly reports	\$135 & \$203	
	Crematory Operator		Completion of Operator Training for Initial License; must be renewed every 5 years *Requirements are the same for Alkaline Hydrolysis Operator & Natural Organic Reduction Facility Operator							\$182 & \$135	
WEST VIRGINIA	Funeral Director	No; 18	BS Degree; 2 yr apprenticeship				✓ \$140	Served anytime	35	\$200 & \$250	Renew every 2 years
	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination		ABFSE graduate; minimum Associate's Degree in undergraduate studies, minimum 1-year mortuary school	✓	✓		✓ \$140	Served anytime	35	\$200 & \$250	
	Crematory Operator		High School/GED; completion of training course							\$150 & \$150	
WISCONSIN	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	State; 18	ABFSE graduate; see WI footnote	✓	✓		✓ \$75	Served anytime	25, 25, 25	\$75 & \$75	Renew every 2 years
	Crematory Operator		Registration with WI DSPS							\$75 & \$75	

Licensure Requirements & Fees for Individuals

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Jurisdiction	License Type	Background Check; Minimum Age	Education Requirements	Exam Requirements				Apprenticeship/Internship Requirements		License & Renewal Fee	Renewal Frequency
				NBE Arts	NBE Sciences	Other Exam	LRR	Served before/ after/during education, etc.?	Case Reports		
WYOMING	Funeral Director & Emb. Combination	No; 18	Completed 60 hours from accredited college, and separately obtained an Associate's in FS or MS from accredited program or, in the alternative, received a Bachelor's Degree in FS or MS	✓	✓			Served anytime	NA	\$125 & \$125	Renew each year
	Crematory Operator		High School Diploma/GED; completion of training course by approved provider						NA		

Establishment Licensure

Jurisdiction	Who Monitors Licensed Establishments?		Establishment Licensure Requirements by Jurisdiction What is License Fee? Renewal Period?					What Types of Establishments Are Inspected? By Whom? How Often?			What is the Procedure if an Establishment Fails an Inspection?
	Funeral Board	Other	Establishment	Branch Establishment	Crematory	Cemetery	Preneed	Funeral Homes	Crematories	Cemeteries	
ALABAMA	✓		\$500 biennially		Registration fee \$200		\$198/\$99	Annually by funeral board			Time to correct before disc. act. may be taken
ALASKA		Gov. office/ dept.	\$335 biennially					None			
ALBERTA, CANADA	✓		\$150 annually + \$10 for each funeral provided	\$150 annually + \$10 for each funeral provided	\$100 annually		\$75 if FD sells/\$200 if slsprsn also selling	At least once every 3 years by AFSRB inspector			Follow up; if not fixed, admin. penalty or poss. disc. act.
ARIZONA	✓		\$500/renewal based on dispositions		\$200 per retort			Once every 5 years by licensing administrator			Counseled on correct.; if not fixed, brought to bd for disc. act.
ARKANSAS*	✓		\$85/\$150 - can renew annually or biennially	\$85/\$150 - can renew annually or biennially	\$35/\$150 - can renew annually or biennially	\$1500/\$425 annually		Annually or as-needed by board inspector			Notification & time to correct before filing complaint
CALIFORNIA		Cem. & Fun. Bureau	\$750 annually		\$750 annually	\$750 annually		Annually by Bureau			If violations are noted, progressive discipline
COLORADO		Gov. office/ dept.	\$544 annually		\$544 annually			Not inspected unless a complaint is filed			
CONNECTICUT		CT Dept. of Health	\$375 annually		\$315 annually			Annually by compliance specialist			Possible sanctions by board
DELAWARE	✓		\$363 biennially					Funeral Homes & Crematories, DPR Inspectors, & Periodically as of 2023			
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	✓	Basic Business License (BBL)	Basic Business License (BBL)	Basic Business License (BBL)	Basic Business License (BBL)	Basic Business License (BBL)		Initial license & random by DOH	NA		NA
FLORIDA (See FL Footnote 1)	✓	Div. of Fun., Cem., & Cons. Serv.	\$530-\$755/\$995 biennially	Preneed branch est. \$155 annually	\$680-\$905 biennially	\$505-\$5005 annually	\$505 annually	Annually by division			Citation, notice of noncompliance, fwd for admin disc

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GEORGIA	✓		\$150 biennially		\$150 biennially	\$100 annually		Annually by Secretary of State Enforcement Division			Citation or hearing
HAWAII	✓							None			
IDAHO	✓		\$125 annually		\$200 annually		\$50 annually	Annually by board			Investigation is opened for bd. determination
ILLINOIS	None										
INDIANA		IPLA	\$50 biennially	\$50 biennially		\$100 - does not expire		IPLA, varies	IPLA, when complaint is filed	IPLA, varies	Complaint is filed with Attorney General
IOWA	✓		\$90/3 years		\$90/3 years			None			
KANSAS	✓		\$650 biennially	\$650 biennially	\$650 biennially			Once per year by state board			Notification letter, can result in fine
KENTUCKY	✓		\$200 annually	\$200 annually				Every 18 months by bd. inspector			Board sanctions
LOUISIANA	✓		\$1500 annually	\$1500 annually	\$1500 annually			Minimum of 1 time per year by inspector			Documentation on inspection/submit complaint to review
MAINE		Office of Prof. & Occup. Reg.	\$230 annually	\$230 annually				NA			NA
MARYLAND	✓		\$700 biennially		\$350 biennially	See MD footnote		Biennially by bd staff (& transp. vehicles biennially)			30 days to fix; deficient letter sent if not corrected

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MASSACHUSETTS	✓	Local Boards of Health	\$40 one-time	\$40 one-time				Every 18 months by Div. of Prof. Lic.			Discipline
MICHIGAN	Corp., Securities, & Commercial Lic. Bureau		\$170/\$225 biennially		\$1500 renew annually	\$1500 renew annually	\$120 every 3 yrs	Initial lic, chg of owner, or struct chg., every 3 yrs			Required compliance
MINNESOTA	MN Dept. of Health		\$425 annually	\$425 annually	\$425 annually			Biennially DOH			Correction orders or admin. penalty
MISSISSIPPI	✓		Prorated, renewed biennially					Biennially by board office			NA
MISSOURI	✓		\$250/\$200 biennially		\$250/\$200 biennially		Seller \$200/ \$150 Provider \$200 or \$100	Minimum annually by board inspector			Determined by board inspector
MONTANA	✓		\$544/\$653 annually	\$544/\$109 annually	\$544/\$653 annually	\$1813/ \$2175 every 5 yrs		Annually by board inspector		5 yrs by board inspector	Complaint/disc. process
NEBRASKA		Div. of Public Health	\$250 biennially	\$75 biennially	\$300 every 5 years			Every 5 years			30 days to correct; disc. act. if not corrected
NEVADA	✓		\$375 biennially	\$375 biennially	\$375 biennially	\$375 biennially		Biennially by inspector			Notice of violation w/time to fix; or init. of disc. process
NEW HAMPSHIRE	✓		\$200 every 3 years	\$100 every 3 years	\$500 every 5 years			Every 3 years by funeral bd members			Notice of deficiencies & time to remediate
NEW JERSEY	✓	Mortuary Science Board	\$700 biennially					Biennially by enforce. bureau			Enforcement bureau report reviewed by bd
NEW MEXICO		Regulation & Lic. Dept.	\$400 annually		\$400 annually			Annually by state inspectors			Failed notice & reinspect; failed inspect. fees

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NEW YORK	NYS Dept. of Health, Bureau of Funeral Directing		\$300 biennially					As needed by Bureau	By DOS	By DOS	Order to correct; up to admin. hearing
NORTH CAROLINA (See footnote)	✓		\$250/\$200 annually		\$400/\$150 annually		\$150/\$100 annually	Every 3 years by Board Compliance Inspector			Correct/re-inspect or bd to determine discipline
NORTH DAKOTA	✓		\$100 annually		\$100 annually			Biennially by health dept			Board action
NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA		Service Nova Scotia	\$133.35 annually per location			\$66 annually	\$66 annually	1-3 year rotation by Service Nova Scotia			Directive sent by Deputy Registrar
OHIO	✓		\$400 biennially		\$400 biennially			Annually by board inspector			Corrective action within 30 days
OKLAHOMA	✓		\$750 annually	\$750 annually	\$750 annually			Annually by board inspector			Complaint is issued
ONTARIO, CANADA	✓		\$30 per death registration/annually	\$30 per death registration/annually	\$30 per cremation/annually	\$30/buri., crem. rem. burial, scatter-annually		Prior to licensure & as determined by risk-based schedule			Def. notice w/time to fix; proof of comp; re-inspect; poss. disc. if fail to comply
OREGON	✓		\$150/\$700 biennially	\$150/\$700 biennially	\$150 & \$200, \$2/cremation biennially	\$150 & \$4/interment, up to \$1200 biennially		Biennially by inspector			Corrective procedure
PENNSYLVANIA	✓		\$400 biennially	\$400 biennially				Annually by BOE&I			Re-inspection
RHODE ISLAND		Health Dept.	\$120 annually	\$120 annually	\$120 annually			Twice annually by state inspector			Possible probation—given 30 days to correct
SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	✓		\$200 annually		\$200 annually			As required by Resource & Comp. Officer		As required by FCAA	Minor issues fixed typically; serious issues result in disc.

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SOUTH CAROLINA	✓		\$350 biennially	\$350 biennially	\$350 biennially			Annually by board inspector	NA		Re-inspection; complaint reviewed by board
SOUTH DAKOTA	✓		\$250 annually		\$100 annually			Annually by board			Re-inspection within 20 days
TENNESSEE	✓		\$575 biennially					Annually by regulatory board field representative	Every 2 years by auditor		Notice of violation/ complaint
TEXAS	✓		\$462/\$537 annually		\$462/\$537 annually			Annually by TFSC inspectors			Give notice & 15 days to fix; fail. may result in disc.
UTAH	Div. of Occupational & Prof. Licensing		Combined Establishment & Preneed provider application fee \$250 - renew every 2 years (crematory is an establishment)					As needed by division investigator			Disciplinary action against license
VERMONT	✓		\$70 biennially		\$70 biennially			Biennially by VT inspector			Must submit correct. action plan within 30 days & be re-inspected
VIRGINIA	✓		\$600/\$400 annually	\$600/\$400 annually	\$250/\$200 annually			Every 3-4 years by DHP inspectors			Opportunity to correct; poss. disc. action
WASHINGTON	✓	Dept. of Licensing	\$540 & \$439 annually	\$473 & \$439 annually	\$284, \$10.80 per crem. annually	\$405, \$8.37 per burial	\$338/\$304 annually	Annually by DOL inspector			Re-inspection; may move to discipline
WEST VIRGINIA	✓		\$625/\$500	\$440/\$345	\$440/\$440			Inspections biennially based on renewal schedule by inspector			Given period to comply
WISCONSIN	✓	Cem. Bd, WI DSPS	\$75 biennially		\$75 biennially	\$75 biennially		Opening & as needed			Investigation
WYOMING	✓		\$150/\$200 annually		\$125/\$200 annually			Annually by board			Determined on case by case basis

CEU Requirements, Endorsement, & Reciprocity

CEU Requirements					Endorsement & Reciprocity Regulations		
Jurisdiction	Hours Re-quired		Monitoring?	Penalty for Non-Compliance	Reciprocity or Endorsement	Any other requirements for those licensed in another jurisdiction than minimum?	Agreements w/ Other Jurisdiction(s)?
	Hours	Year(s)					
ALABAMA	8	2 years	All licensees must report	License not renewed	Reciprocity	No	No
ALASKA	CEU Not Required				Reciprocity	No	No
ALBERTA, CANADA (See footnote)	3	year	Part of estab. inspection process; submitted to the board annually	License not renewed	Cross CA Agreement	Pass AB FD exam	Labour Mobility Agreement
ARIZONA	12	year	Renewals	Licensee brought before board to determine action	Reciprocity	No	No
ARKANSAS	6	year	CE provider must submit proof of attendance	License not renewed	Endorsement	No	We accept CE hours from other states if approved
CALIFORNIA	CEU Not Required				Embalmers licensed in other states & practiced for 3 of last 7 years prior to application, not required to complete apprenticeship. Must meet other requirements & pass exam.		
COLORADO	Licensure not required. Voluntary certification available through CO FDA.						
CONNECTICUT	6	year	Review if complaint filed	Probation until CE complete	Reciprocity	No	No
DELAWARE	10	2 years	Audits	Board determines discipline based on hearing	Reciprocity	Actively practiced 3 out of last 5 years	No
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	6	2 years	Audits	License not renewed; extension	Reciprocity	Pass DC Laws exam	MD, VA, & NC
FLORIDA	12	2 years	Division confirms CEs	Depends on circumstances, admin. action may be taken (1 must be communicable disease course)	Both	Yes	No

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	Hours	Year(s)					
GEORGIA	10	2 years	Audits	License not renewed	Both	Pass GA Laws exam	No
HAWAII	CEU Not Required				Both	No	No
IDAHO	8	year	Audits	Disciplinary action, case by case basis	Endorsement	Licensed in another jurisdiction for 5 years	No
ILLINOIS	24	2 years	Audits	Fine, disciplinary action, providers are reviewed by the Board and licensed by department	Endorsement	Active licensure, no discipline, affidavits of active practice	No
INDIANA	5	year	Audits	Fine, suspension	NA	Pass IN Laws exam	No
IOWA	24	2 years	Audits	May be assessed a civil penalty	Endorsement	Must be comparable or exceed IA requirements	No
KANSAS	12	2 years	Submitted with renewal	License not renewed	Both	Funeral directors must be licensed for a minimum of 1 year	No
KENTUCKY	12	2 years	Random visits	License not renewed	Endorsement	Pass state exams	No
LOUISIANA	4	year	CE Broker	NA	Endorsement	No	No
MAINE	12	2 years	Audits	Consent agreement with warning, extension, possible fine	NA	No	No
MARYLAND	12	2 years	Audits & random visits	License not renewed	NA	Pass jurisprudence exam & 5 years in good standing from previously licensed jurisdiction	No

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	Hours	Year(s)					
MASSACHUSETTS	8	year	Audits	Fine & licensee must make up courses	Endorsement	No	No
MICHIGAN	CEU Not Required				Reciprocity	Pass State Exam	No
MINNESOTA	15	2 years	Post CEs on website & verify	Follow-up correspondence, case by case basis	Both	Requirements must be substantially similar or equivalent	No
MISSISSIPPI	CEU Not Required				Endorsement	No	No
MISSOURI	CEU Not Required				Reciprocity	Obtain verification of licensure from each state ever licensed in	No
MONTANA	6	year	Audits	Administrative suspension process	Reciprocity	Practicing 5 of last 7 years; if not, must retake NBE, no disciplinary issues, reciprocating state must have substantially equivalent req.	No
NEBRASKA (See footnote)	12	2 years	Audits	License not renewed	NA	Additional education requirements can be waived if licensed for 5 years	No
NEVADA	12	2 years	Audits	Disciplinary action	Endorsement	Embalmers licensed at least 5 years & actively practicing 2 of the last 5 years preceding app, Pass NV LRR, NBE Science	No
NEW HAMPSHIRE	14	2 years	Tracked by board	License not renewed	NA	No	No
NEW JERSEY	10	2 years	Board Audits	Fine or required make up credits	Reciprocity	Letter of verification, NBE passing scores, transcripts, & passing NJ JP exam	No
NEW MEXICO	10	year	Audits	License not renewed	NA	Verification of licensure from jurisdiction(s) where license is held	No

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	Hours	Year(s)					
NEW YORK	12	2 years	Audits	Given 120 days to complete & \$125 late fee	Endorsement	Pass NYS Laws exam	No
NORTH CAROLINA	5	year	Audits	License not renewed	Reciprocity	Pract. 3 years prior to app. in a jur. that will reciprocate NC lic. & Bd determines other req. are equal or greater at time of initial licensure	No
NORTH DAKOTA	CEU Not Required				Reciprocity	Pass Laws exam	No
NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA	6	5 years	Annual review	License not renewed at end of credit term	Reciprocity	Pass Provincial Laws exam, criminal records check, letter of good standing	Labour Mobility Agreement
OHIO (See footnote)	18	2 years	Random visits	Fine, disciplinary action, case by case basis	Reciprocity	Pass OH LR exam, letter of good standing, 2 letters of recommendation	Courtesy card (border states)
OKLAHOMA (See footnote)	6	year	Random Audits	Fine	Endorsement	No	No
ONTARIO, CANADA	6	year	License renewal	License not renewed	Reciprocity	Jurisprudence exam & police check	No
OREGON	CEU Not Required				Reciprocity	Actively practicing, license in good standing, pass Laws exam	No
PENNSYLVANIA (See footnote)	6	2 years	Audits	License not renewed	Reciprocity	No	MD & WV
RHODE ISLAND	5	year	Audits	Licensee usually given a timeframe to complete	NA		
SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	4 per license	year	Submitted by licensee	License not renewed	Reciprocity	Pass Jurisprudence exam, criminal record check, letter of good standing from current jurisdiction	Labour Mobility Agreement

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	Hours	Year(s)					
SOUTH CAROLINA	6	2 years	CE Broker	License will not be renewed; disciplinary action	Endorsement	Endorsement over 5 years; if under, review on case by case basis	No
SOUTH DAKOTA	CEU Not Required				Endorsement	No	No
TENNESSEE	10	year	Random visits; verify @ renewal	License not renewed	Reciprocity	Pass TN Laws exam	No
TEXAS	16	2 years	Audits	License not renewed	Reciprocity	No	No
UTAH	20	2 years	Audits	Extension by request for medical reason, disciplinary action could include fine/probation	Endorsement	If applicant has 5 years of practice in the last 10 and has passed the NBE	No
VERMONT	Not provided		Audits	Disciplinary action	Reciprocity	NA	No
VIRGINIA	5	year	Audits	Disciplinary action based on conditions	Both	Pass VA Laws exam	Courtesy Card (MD, DC)
WASHINGTON	5	year	Random Audits	License not renewed	Reciprocity	Education requirements are waived if similar requirements, verify license in good standing	No
WEST VIRGINIA	3 credits -1 Ethics 4 OSHA	2 years	CE Broker	License not renewed	Both	No	PA
WISCONSIN	15	2 years	Audits	Investigation	Reciprocity	Pass WI Jurisprudence exam	No
WYOMING	8	year	Audits	Determined on case by case basis	Endorsement	No	No

Preneed Regulations

Jurisdiction	Preneed Regulated by Statute?	License Required to Sell Preneed?	Are Funeral Licensees Allowed to Sell Preneed?	If Trusting Permitted, What Percent Must Be Trusted?	What Type of Consumer Protection Fund Does Your Jurisdiction Provide?	What Types of Insurance Can Be Used to Fund Preneed?	Who Has Authority to Assess Fines & Penalties?	What is the Maximum Penalty?	Is There an Appeal Process?	Disposition of Monies Collected?
ALABAMA	Yes	Certificate of Authority from Alabama Board of Funeral Services	Yes	60-110% (See AL footnote)	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	Bd. Of Funeral Service	\$10,000 willful violation; \$1,000 non-willful	Yes, may request hearing	NA
ALASKA	NA									
ALBERTA, CANADA	Yes	Preneed Salesperson or Funeral Director	Yes	85%	Compensation Fund	Insurance issued under restricted COA from AB Insurance Council	Funeral Board	\$5,000-\$20,000 prosecution up to \$100K	Can be appealed to Minister of Service AB	General Fund
ARIZONA	Yes	Establishment must have endorsement license & licensed salesperson	No	100%	Surety Bonds	Perm. Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	Funeral Board	\$1,000-\$3,000/violation	Yes, may request hearing	General Fund
ARKANSAS	Yes	Regulated by Department of Insurance								
CALIFORNIA	Yes	Regulated by Dept. of Insurance	Yes	100%	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Agency	\$5,000	See CA Code of Regulations	Revenue Fund
COLORADO	Regulated by Department of Insurance							\$5,000	Office of Attorney General	General Fund
CONNECTICUT	Yes	Funeral Director or Embalmer License	Yes	100%	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$25,000	Appeal to Superior Court	General Fund
DELAWARE	No	NA								
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Yes	Funeral Director	Yes	NA	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$5,000	Yes	General Fund
FLORIDA	Yes	Preneed Main & Preneed Sales	Yes	See FL Footnote 2	Consumer Protection Trust Fund	Whole Life, Burial	State Board	Depends on Violation	Yes, Admin. Law Process	Division Administration

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GEORGIA	Yes	Preneed Dealer & Preneed Sales Agent	Only the FDFCC	100%	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$10,000	Hearing	General Fund
HAWAII	Regulated by the Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs									
IDAHO	Yes	Certificate of Authority (\$50 license fee annually)	Yes	NA	NA	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$1,000	Administrative Procedures Act	Board Operation
ILLINOIS	Regulated by Illinois Office of the Comptroller									
INDIANA	Yes	Certificate of Authority is required	Yes	100%	Preneed Consumer Protection Fund	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial	State Board	\$1,000	Yes, judicial review	General Fund
IOWA	Yes	NA	Yes	Regulated by IA Securities Commission						
KANSAS	Yes	Insurance	Yes	100%	Insurance Guaranty Fund	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$1,000 per violation	Yes	General Fund
KENTUCKY	Yes	No	Yes	NA	No	NA	State Board	NA	Yes	Board Operation
LOUISIANA	Yes	Insurance issued by LA Dept. of Insurance	Yes	100%	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity, Life	State Board	\$5,000	Yes	Revenue Fund
MAINE	Yes	Regulated by Bureau of Insurance	No	NA	No	NA	State Board	\$1,500 per violation	Yes	General Fund
MARYLAND	Yes	Mortician, Funeral Director	Yes	100% & 80%	Yes, Family Security Trust	Burial Insurance or Private Party	State Board	\$5,000	Office of Administrative Hearings	General Fund

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MASSACHUSETTS	No	Embalmer/Funeral Director - Type 3 or Type 6	Yes	100%	No	Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	Various forms of discipline	Yes	General Fund
MICHIGAN	Yes	Funeral & Cemetery Contract Seller/ Provider Registration	Yes	100%	None	Permanent, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	NA	No	General Fund
MINNESOTA	Yes	Preneed Insurance - yes Preneed Provider - no	Yes	100%	None	Regulated by MN Commerce	Dept. of Health	\$10,000	May appeal by requesting hearing	General Fund
MISSISSIPPI	Any funeral home or cemetery which sells funeral or cemetery merchandise or services prior to the death of the contract beneficiary is required to register with the Secretary of State, Preneed Division. website: https://www.sos.ms.gov/Regulation-Enforcement/Pages/Pre-Need-Funeral.aspx									
MISSOURI	Yes	Yes	No	As determined by statute	Board conducts financial exams	Permanent, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	As determined by statute			
MONTANA	Yes	Mortician License	Yes	100%	None	Regulated by Commissioner of Insurance & Securities	State Board	\$1,000	Yes, see MT statutes	General Fund
NEBRASKA	Yes	Regulated by NE Department of Insurance								
NEVADA	Yes, NV Dept. of Insurance	Funeral Seller/Funeral Agent	Yes	125%	None	Permanent, Whole Life, Burial	State Board	3x the sales agreement	Judicial Review	General Fund
NEW HAMPSHIRE	NA									
NEW JERSEY	Yes	Funeral Director	Yes	100%	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life	State Board	See NJ statutes	Yes	Board Operation
NEW MEXICO	Yes, DOI	Yes	Yes	NA	None	NA	State Board	\$2,000	Formal Hearing	General Fund

Preneed Regulations

Jurisdiction	Preneed Regulated by Statute?	License Required to Sell Preneed?	Are Funeral Licensees Allowed to Sell Preneed?	If Trusting Permitted, What Percent Must Be Trusted?	What Type of Consumer Protection Fund Does Your Jurisdiction Provide?	What Types of Insurance Can Be Used to Fund Preneed?	Who Has Authority to Assess Fines & Penalties?	What is the Maximum Penalty?	Is There an Appeal Process?	Disposition of Monies Collected?
NEW YORK	Yes	Funeral Director	Yes	100%	None	Preneed Insurance funding not allowed	Commissioner of Health	Up to \$1,000 per day/per violation	Yes	General Fund
NORTH CAROLINA	Yes	Preneed sales	Yes w/Preneed Sales License	90%	Preneed Recovery Trust Fund	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	\$5,000	Petition for judicial review	Recovery Fund
NORTH DAKOTA	100% trusting permitted; NA									
NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA	Yes, Service Nova Scotia	Cemetery & Funeral Services Salesperson License	No	100%	Bond required	Annuity	NA	NA	No	NA
OHIO	Yes	Conditional: Reference Section 4717.31 of OH Revised Code		100%	Recovery Fund	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Annuity	State Board	Varies depending on violation	Yes, OAC 119	General Fund
OKLAHOMA	Yes	Insurance Provider License	Yes	90%	None	NA	State Board	\$10,000	Yes, district courts	Board Operation
ONTARIO, CANADA	Yes	Licensed under the Funeral, Burial, & Cremation Services Act of 2002	Yes	90%	Compensation Fund	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	Courts	License revoc., \$50K fine, &/or up to 2 yrs imprisonment	License Appeal Tribunal (license rev. only)	Provincial Government
OREGON	Yes	Preneed Salesperson	Yes	90%-100%	Consumer Protection Trust Fund	Whole Life, Burial	State Board	\$1,000	Admin. Hearing, court of appeals	Board Operation
PENNSYLVANIA	Yes	License not required	Yes	NA	None	Permanent Life, Whole Life, Burial, Annuity	State Board	No max. penalty	Yes	Board Operation
RHODE ISLAND	NA									
SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	Yes	Salesperson	Yes	85%	Prepaid Funeral Service Assurance Fund	Annuity	Province Board	\$5,000-\$15,000	Superintendent, then courts	Board Operation

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Footnotes & Miscellaneous

State regulations may require passing the NBE, but not specifically require an Associates Degree from an ABFSE-accredited program. Terminology varies among schools and states as to the type of associate degree, i.e., some designate Associate of Sciences, others Associates of Arts, etc.

Alabama

Cash Advance Items 100%, Caskets and Funeral Services 80%, Cemetery Services and Outer Burial Containers 60%, Markers 110% of wholesale.

Alberta

AFSRB also requires 3 credits once every 3 years mandated by the AFSRB (in addition to the requirements listed).

Arkansas

1. An apprentice must enroll in mortuary school within one year of starting apprenticeship. Failure to do so will result in the termination of apprenticeship for a period of 90 days, or upon the enrollment in mortuary school, whichever period is shorter.
2. Drivers must be at least 18 and hold a valid AR DL; owner must be at least 21. Transport is considered a type of funeral establishment, not an individual license.
3. Individual owners and drivers are required to receive blood-borne pathogen training with initial licensure.

California

Please note: The Embalmer license does not have a separate license fee. The total fee to take the examination and licensure is \$280. The renewal fee is \$190.

Florida

1. Also: Centralized embalming facility, direct disposer establishment, monument establishments.
2. Varies for both service and merchandise.

Maryland

Transport company renewal fee is based on number of employees; renews every 2 years.

Nebraska

Must pass jurisprudence exam each renewal.

Nevada

Anyone physically operating the crematory equipment must complete a Board approved training which is at least 6 hours in length; is offered on a national level by persons who are generally recognized as having expertise in the field of crematory services and includes, at minimum, instruction in best practices relating to crematory services, terminology relevant to crematory services; the principles of combustion, the operation of crematory equipment, and the filing of forms and other duties concerning keeping a record relating to crematory services.

Footnotes & Miscellaneous

North Carolina

1. The education & other requirements for a Provisional Funeral Director includes AAS or higher degree in any field, or graduate of board-approved Funeral Director program; and must have 5 years professional funeral experience; or have a certified traineeship; or be eligible for certification as a trainee.

2. Unaffiliated Practice” - Establishment License; fee is \$250 and the renewal fee/period is \$200 annually.

Ohio

1. Courtesy card permit issued only to funeral director licensed in a state that borders Ohio.

2. CEU Requirements not applicable to a holder of a Courtesy Card.

Oklahoma

2 in person & 1 ethics course required for CEU.

Pennsylvania

Includes 2-hour child abuse course.

South Dakota

Education needs to be 90 total credit hours with a degree or certificate from a mortuary program accredited by the ABFSE. They can deduct the credits they do in mortuary school from the 90 hours. So, if a mortuary program was 50 hours, they’d need 40 hours of additional coursework.

Washington

License and renewal fees, as well as inspections, are the same for Alkaline Hydrolysis Facility & Natural Organic Reduction Facility.

Wisconsin

To be eligible for an original funeral director’s license, an applicant must complete a one year apprenticeship, two years of academic instruction in a recognized college or university in a course of study approved by the examining board (60 credits in English, Speech, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Business, and Electives), or equivalent education; and nine months or more of instruction in a prescribed course in mortuary science accredited by the ABFSE. The two years of academic instruction, nine month mortuary science program, and apprenticeship may be completed in any order following completion of mandatory 16 hour certification course. Further information can be found here on board website.