



Colorado Death Certificate Request

Apply in person for same-day services
Walk-in Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 - 4:30
Correction Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 - 3:30

Vital Records Section HSVR-VR-A1
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246-1530
www.colorado.gov/cdphe/vitalrecords
Email: vital.records@state.co.us
Phone: (303) 692-2200

Phone Orders: 1-866-300-8540
Online Orders: www.vitalchek.com
Phone/Online Follow-Up:
1-866-632-2604
Fax Orders: 1-800-423-1108

This office has death certificates for the entire state since 1900. Death certificates are also available in the county Vital Records office where the death occurred. Death certificates are considered public record after 75 years.



- Requirements:
This request must be completed in full.
Enclose a copy of a current driver's license, passport or State identification.
Enclose appropriate fees.
Person requesting to receive death certificate must sign below.
Proof of relationship or legal interested is required (see reverse side).

Requestor Information

Form with fields for: Print name of person making request (First, Middle, Last), Email, Mailing Address (City, State, Zip, Daytime Phone), Physical Address (City, State, Zip, Alt Phone Number), Relationship to deceased (Parent, Spouse, Grandparent, Sibling, Child, Funeral Director, Legal Representative, Other), Reason for Request (Insurance, Social Security, Property, Genealogy, Other).

Deceased Information Check here if you are requesting a certificate of stillbirth

Form with fields for: Full Name of deceased (First, Middle, Last), Date of death\* (Month, Day, Year), Date of birth or age at death (optional), State of birth (optional), Place of death (City, County, State - Colorado ONLY). Includes a disclaimer about penalties for false pretenses and a 'SIGN HERE' arrow.

Ways to Order:

- Order certificates online at www.vitalchek.com
Fax your application with credit card information
Mail in application with check, money order, or credit card information
Apply in person for same-day service

\*\*Credit card orders: (\$10.00 convenience charge to be added)

Card Type: VISA, MasterCard, Discover, American Express
Cardholder name:
Cardholder signature:
Card Number:
Expiration Date:

Charges: (FEES NON-REFUNDABLE)

\*Search fee where date of death is (\$1.00 per year)
Cost of standard death certificate: \$20.00 for one (or search when no record found)
\$13.00 for each additional certificate of same record ordered at same time
\$10.00 credit card convenience charge (walk-ins excluded)
Cost of verification of death: \$20.00 for one (or search when no record is found)
\$13.00 for additional verifications of same record ordered at the same time
Please check your shipping method: Regular mail (\$0.00), FedEx\* (\$20.00), Express Mail\* (\$19.95), UPS\* (\$19.00)
Total Charges:

**Death certificates may issued to:****Document(s) needed to prove relationship:**

Current spouse	Must be listed on death certificate.
Ex-spouse	Must present proof of direct & tangible interest (i.e. Social Security record, insurance policy).
Parent	Must be listed on death certificate.
Stepparent	Marriage certificate proving relationship to a parent that is listed on death certificate.
Grandparents/Great grandparents	Birth certificate(s) proving relationship required (cannot accept baptisms, hospital records or school records, unless the customer presents a letter from the state of birth stating no record of birth was found).
Siblings/Half siblings	Birth certificate showing at least one same parent required (cannot accept baptisms, hospital records or school records, unless the customer presents a letter from the state of birth stating no record of birth was found).
Children/Grandchildren/Great grandchildren	Birth certificate(s) showing relationship is required (cannot accept baptisms, hospital records or school records, unless the customer presents a letter from the state of birth stating no record of birth was found).
Step-Children	Marriage certificate & birth certificate proving relationship required.
Legal representative/Paralegals	Proof of client relationship required as well as proof of the client's relationship to the registrant.
Opposing counsel	Certificate will be mailed to court w/ motion to seal "confidential record." Name, address and case number of the court required.
Genealogists	Notarized signed release from immediate family member required as well as proof of the family member's relationship. Certificate marked "For Genealogical Use Only."
In-laws/aunts/uncles/nephews/nieces/ cousins	For death certificate 25 years or younger- Must present proof of direct & tangible interest (i.e. insurance policy, personal will, etc.).  For death certificates over 25 years- Must present proof of relationship (a family tree would be acceptable for this case) Death certificate marked "For Genealogical Use Only."
Probate Researchers	Proof of direct & tangible interest required.
Creditors	Proof of direct & tangible interest required.
Employer	Proof of direct & tangible interest required.
Beneficiaries	Proof of direct & tangible interest required (i.e. letter on insurance company/ pension company letterhead that clearly states the applicant is a beneficiary or is eligible to file a claim).
Insurance companies	Proof of direct & tangible interest required (Insurance policy).
Hospital/Nursing home/Hospice/Physician	Proof of patient relationship required.
Funeral Directors	Must be listed on death certificate.
Informant	Must be listed on death certificate.
Others who may demonstrate a direct and tangible interest when information is needed for determination or protection of a personal or property right	Proof of direct & tangible interest required.

**NOTE: Death certificates in Colorado become public record after 75 years, therefore, no proof of relationship or legal interest is required for these certificates.**