

Where to find further information

Other leaflets are available on a range of topics from Registration/Bereavement Services.

In particular, you might also find the following leaflets useful:

- Registering a Death
- Independent Funerals
- Civil Funerals

For further information on other leaflets available, or if you require any additional information, please contact us:

The Register Office
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Balaclava Street
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TS18 2AL

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www.stockton.gov.uk

If you would like this information in any other format or languages please contact 'Bereavement Services' on (01642) 527341/42

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اگر شما این اطلاعات را به زبان یا شکل دیگری مثل چاپ بزرگ یا بصورت صدا میخواهید لطفاً با تیم نایورسیتی (گوناگون) (Bereavement Services) با شماره 01642 527341/42 به تماس شوید FARSI

Si vous souhaitez obtenir ces informations dans d'autres langues ou sous un autre format, par exemple, en gros caractères / version audio, veuillez contacter l'équipe "Bereavement Services" au n° 016 42 52 73 41/42 FRENCH

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اگر آپ ان معلومات کو کسی بھی اور زبان یا انداز، مثلاً بڑے پرنٹ/آڈیو ٹیپ وغیرہ میں حاصل کرنا چاہتے ہیں، تو ڈی ایچ ایم (Bereavement Services) کو اس نمبر پر فون کیجئے 01642 527341/42 URDU


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How to register a death by declaration

A guide for families who do not live in the district where a death occurred


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When someone close to you has died we appreciate that this can be a very emotional time for you.

You may feel you want to contact your local Register Office as soon as the death occurs, but please be aware that legally you have five days in which to record your loved one's details.

The death needs to be registered at the Register Office for the district in which it happened. In Stockton, a death can be registered at either the Register Office in Balaclava Street (our full address is shown on the back of this leaflet) or at the University Hospital of North Tees, Hardwick Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 8PE.

Can I register at my local office?

The death cannot be registered outside of the district in which it occurred, but there is an alternative if it is not convenient for you to register in Stockton.

You can visit your local Register Office, or any Register Office in England or Wales, and provide the registrar with all the necessary details.

This process is called **registering a death by declaration**

How do I register a death by declaration?

You should first contact your local register office to make an appointment, stating that you wish to 'register a death by declaration'.

Your local Registrar will need to liaise with us regarding the whereabouts of the medical certificate, which is issued by the medical staff attending to the deceased (if the Coroner is involved, it will be a Coroner's Certificate), before your appointment.

In your appointment, the Registrar will ask you for the information required to register the death and then ask you to sign a legal document, which states that the information you have given is correct.

This will then be sent to us by post so that the details can be entered into the death register.

Once we have done this, we will send to you by post:

- A form to allow burial or cremation (if the Coroner is involved, this may be sent directly to your funeral director).
- A form to notify the Pension Service/Jobcentre Plus.

Please be aware that it will take a day or two longer to register by declaration because documents must be sent by post;

this should be taken into account when making funeral arrangements.

Death certificates are also available; you will need these to close bank accounts and deal with the deceased's financial affairs.

You can purchase as many Death Certificates as you think you will need by providing a cheque made payable to 'Stockton Borough Council' to your local Registrar, or you can apply directly to us in person, by post or by telephoning with your debit/credit card details.

Please remember that in the future, if you need further copies of your loved one's death certificate, they are only available from our office, not your local office.

Approximately three months after the registration, these certificates may be more expensive.

What information is needed to make a declaration?

Your local Register Office will tell you what information you will need to provide, but please also see our leaflet '*How to Register a Death*' for further detail.

