

**PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE UNIT
PARKS, LEISURE AND CEMETERIES DEPARTMENT**

INDIGENT BURIAL PROCEDURE

An Indigent burial is for a destitute family who cannot afford to bury their loved ones'. To qualify, one has to be unemployed, receiving a child grant, disability grant or a pension from the government and not have any policies of any kind or any other income.

Family: to go to the Councillor of their area to ask for burial assistance. If the person dies at home while being ill, it's called death by natural causes and the Councillor must call the contracted Undertaker Isipingo Funeral Services **031-902244** to collect the body.

- 1.1 If the person was injured and died, it's called unnatural causes and the Councillor must call the SAP to take the body to the Government Mortuary (Gale Street), Phoenix Government Mortuary and Pinetown Government Mortuary whereby a Postmortem is done to determine the cause of death.
- 1.2 While the family is waiting for the Postmortem results, they can make arrangements for an Indigent Burial with our office.
 1. **The Councillor** of the area to do a letter Requesting Cemeteries and Crematoria to assist the family with an Indigent burial or a cremation on a letterhead.
 2. **Applicant** to have ID document, deceased ID or Birth Certificate and Letter from the Councillor requesting Cemeteries and Crematoria Department to assist the family
 3. **Applicant** to go to 303 Dr Pixley kaSeme Street (West Street); 7th Floor Delta Towers and will be assisted.
 4. The body does not go to the home or Church before the burial.
 5. The body is taken from the Undertaker's Mortuary, straight to the chosen cemetery/ Crematorium by the Municipality where the body is buried/cremated.
 6. We do not bury Foreigners as Indigents; they need to go to their Embassy or Consulate as Home Affairs have a problem providing a Death Certificate.
 7. The Council does not donate any groceries or give any financial assistance to the family.
 8. The Council provides a coffin, a grave and transporting of the deceased to the cemetery.
 9. Please read bottom of Application Form - Annexure A and C

Ward No.	Application No.

PARKS LEISURE AND CEMETERIES DEPARTMENT
APPLICATION FOR INDIGENT BURIALS/
CREMATIONS PART 1

DECEASED PARTICULARS:

Surname: _____

First Names: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Date of Death:** _____

Identity Number:

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Address: _____

Place from which deceased's body is to be collected:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Death Certificate Details: _____

APPLICANTS PARTICULARS:

Name: _____

Relationship to the Deceased: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

Signature:

I select: D Burial D Cremation

CONDITIONS FOR DESTITUTE BURIALS/CREMATIONS

Burials will take place on a weekday as decided by the undertaker and the department. Only the immediate family will be permitted to be present at the burial.

No buses and large crowds will be allowed.

No erection of tombstones or masonry work will be permitted

(Annexure C)

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Statement of Destitute Status by Applicant

I (Full Name)_____

Identity Number:

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Hereby state that the next of kin of the deceased
_____ are destitute and are unable to pay for the burial/cremation of the deceased.

I hereby accept the conditions for the destitute burial/cremation as resolved by the eThekweni Municipality as set out on part 1 of the application.

Signed: _____

At (Place):_____ on this day_____ of _____ 20_____

SAPS/ Commissioner of Oaths

Thus acknowledge and signed before me on this day_____ of _____
at _____

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Signature