

Checklist Funere : What to do in case of a death in Switzerland

Practical guide to the initial administrative and organizational procedures.

The loss of a loved one is a moment of deep sorrow. At such times, managing the paperwork can feel overwhelming. This guide from **Funere.com** accompanies you step by step to ensure that nothing is overlooked.

IMMEDIATE ACTIONS (0-2 HOURS)

- **Confirmation of death:** At home: Immediately call the family doctor or the emergency number 144. In a hospital or care home: The management handles the medical confirmation.
- **Issuance of the certificate:** Ensure you receive the medical certificate of death (essential for every subsequent step).
- **Close contacts:** Notify family members and the closest relatives.

LOGISTICS AND NOTIFICATIONS (2-24 HOURS)

- **Choosing a funeral home:** Contact a funeral service provider active in your municipality or region for the transport of the body and preparation.
- **Notification to the Civil Registry Office:** The death must be reported to the Civil Registry Office at the place of death within 2 days (48 hours).
- **Checking wishes:** Check if the deceased left written instructions, a will, or a funeral pre-planning contract (Cremation or Burial).

COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Publishing the Obituary:** Inform the community, friends, and colleagues. On Funere.com, you can publish a funeral announcement online for free and in just a few minutes, ensuring rapid and dignified reach throughout Switzerland.
- **Ceremony details:** Define the date, time, and location of the funeral or memorial service.
- **Social Media and Contacts:** Share the digital announcement link to allow those far away to send messages of condolence.

POST-FUNERAL PROCEDURES

- **Employer:** Notify them to manage leave and payroll formalities.
- **Health Insurance and General Insurance:** Cancellation of contracts and verification of death benefits.
- **Banks and Credit Institutions:** Blocking or updating of current accounts.

USEFUL CONTACTS

- Medical Emergency: **144**
- Funeral Announcement Support: www.funere.com