

## **250-6-.01 Licensure Requirements. Amended.**

(1) A funeral establishment or crematory may be operated only if it possesses a license valid for that establishment or crematory. Application to the Board for licensure shall be made on a form which will be provided upon request and shall require submission of the proper fee. Application must be complete in its entirety and must be received at least 15 days prior to the Board meeting at which it will be considered. The Board shall accept or reject each application by majority vote.

(2) A license for a funeral establishment or crematory is issued to that particular establishment or crematory under a specified name, at a specified location, and under a specified funeral director in full and continuous charge.

(3) A license may be issued to a funeral establishment or crematory only if such business has a licensed funeral director in full and continuous charge. See O.C.G.A. § 43-18-71 and Rule 250-6-.08 for the requirements concerning the funeral director in full and continuous charge.

(4) An inspection of a funeral home or crematory shall be made by a Board inspector prior to licensure. Inspection must be completed after the application has been approved and prior to Board meeting at which it will be considered. Requirements of inspection for funeral establishment and crematories are listed in Rule 250-6-.06 and Rule 250-6.07, respectively. If reinspection is required an additional fee shall be payable prior to reinspection. Refer to Fee Schedule.

(5) A crematory may be operated only if it possesses a separate license for such purpose. However, a funeral establishment for which a valid license to operate is in effect on July 1, 2002, shall not be required to obtain a separate license to operate a crematory until on and after the renewal date to operate a funeral establishment which first occurs after July 1, 2002, but such establishment must comply with all of the minimum equipment and facilities requirements and all other statutes, rules and regulations relating to crematories. Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-2, 43-1-19, 43-18-23, 43-18-70 to 43-18-73. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Reciprocity for Funeral Director License" adopted F. Jan. 21, 1977; eff. Feb. 10, 1977. **Amended:** F. Dec. 29, 1978; eff. Jan. 18, 1979. **Repealed:** New Rule of same title adopted. F. Nov. 7, 1983; eff. Nov. 27, 1983. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Reciprocity for Embalmer License" adopted. F. July 18, 1986; eff. Aug. 7, 1986. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled "Licensure Requirements" adopted. F. Dec. 18, 1991; eff. Jan. 7, 1992. **Amended:** F. Oct. 20, 1995; eff. Nov. 9, 1995. **Amended:** F. Aug. 16, 2002; eff. Sept. 5, 2002.