

**156.15 Funeral establishments and cremation establishments — license required — discipline, violations, and penalties.**

1. A funeral establishment or cremation establishment shall not be operated until a license or renewal certificate has been issued to the establishment by the board.

2. The board shall refuse to issue an establishment license when an applicant fails to meet the requirements of [section 156.14](#). The board may refuse to issue or renew a license or may impose a penalty, not to exceed ten thousand dollars, issue a reprimand, or revoke, restrict, cancel, or suspend a license, and may place a licensee on probation, if the board finds that the applicant or licensee has done any of the following:

a. Been convicted of a felony or any crime related to the practice of mortuary science or implicating the establishment's ability to safely perform mortuary science services, or if the applicant is an association, joint stock company, partnership, or corporation, that a managing officer or owner has been convicted of such a crime, under the laws of this state, another state, or the United States.

b. Violated [this chapter](#) or any rule adopted under [this chapter](#) or that any owner or employee of the establishment has violated [this chapter](#) or any rule adopted under [this chapter](#).

c. Knowingly aided, assisted, procured, advised, or allowed a person to unlawfully practice mortuary science.

d. Failed to engage in or ceased to engage in the business described in the application for a license.

3. Failed to keep and maintain records as required by [this chapter](#) or rules adopted under [this chapter](#).

[96 Acts, ch 1148, §10; 2007 Acts, ch 159, §11](#)