

**645—100.9(144) Disinterments.** A funeral director in charge of a disinterment shall ensure that the disinterment is performed in accordance with rules promulgated by the Iowa department of public health and shall first secure a disinterment application issued by the Iowa department of public health.

1. No person shall disinter a human remains or cremated remains unless the funeral director, in charge of the disinterment, has a numbered disinterment application which has been issued by the department of public health or by an order of the district court of the county in which the human remains or cremated remains are interred or entombed.

2. All disinterment applications shall be requested and provided by the department of public health.

3. All disinterment applications shall be signed by the authorizing person.

4. Disinterment applications shall be furnished upon request from the department of public health and will remain valid for 30 days after issuance.

5. Disinterment numbers will only be issued to the funeral director, and the disinterment must be done under the direct supervision of the funeral director.

6. Disinterment applications and numbers shall be required for any relocation of a human remains or cremated remains from the original site of interment or entombment.

7. No disinterment application or number is necessary to remove a human remains or cremated remains from a holding facility for interment or entombment in the same cemetery where being temporarily held.