

**641—98.2(144) Preparation of certificates.** Death certificates must be prepared on a typewriter with a dark ribbon. All other certificates must either be prepared on a typewriter with a dark ribbon or written in dark, unfading ink. All signatures required shall be entered in dark, unfading ink. Unless otherwise directed by the state registrar, no certificate shall be complete and correct and acceptable for filing:

1. That does not have the names typed or printed legibly under all signatures for positive identification purposes;
2. That does not supply all items of information called for thereon or satisfactorily accounts for their omission;
3. That contains major alterations or erasures;
4. That does not contain genuine signatures;
5. That is marked “copy” or “duplicate”;
6. That is a carbon copy;
7. That is prepared on an improper form;
8. That contains obviously improper or inconsistent data;
9. That is not prepared in conformity with these rules or instructions issued by the state registrar.