

SUBCHAPTER 34B - FUNERAL SERVICE

SECTION .0100 - RESIDENT TRAINEES

21 NCAC 34B .0103 AUTHORIZED PRACTICE: SUPERVISION

(a) Resident trainees in training for funeral service, resident trainees in training for funeral directing, and resident trainees in training for embalming, as defined by G.S. 90-210.20(20), while supervised by a person licensed by the Board as a funeral service licensee, funeral director, or embalmer, may assist in the practice of funeral service, funeral directing, or embalming, as limited by this Rule.

(b) A licensee wishing to supervise a trainee shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) Have either practiced continuously in North Carolina for a minimum of one year before the date of the application; and
- (2) Not have any disciplinary action taken by the Board, or the licensing board of any other jurisdiction, to suspend or revoke his or her license during the five years preceding the application.

(c) Resident trainees in training for funeral service or for funeral directing, while supervised by a person licensed by the Board as a preneed sales licensee, may also assist in the preneed funeral planning activities described in 21 NCAC 34D .0202(b)(1), (2), (4), and (5).

(d) No credit shall be given for the resident trainee's work that is unsupervised or performed under the supervision of a person not registered with the Board as the resident trainee's supervisor. If the registered supervisor does not supervise the resident trainee for a continuous period of more than two weeks, the traineeship under that supervisor shall terminate, requiring a new traineeship application. When a resident trainee assists in funeral service, funeral directing, embalming, or preneed funeral planning on the funeral home premises, a licensed supervisor shall be on the funeral home premises where and while such activities are performed; provided that a licensed supervisor shall be present in the same room whenever a resident trainee accepts any initial payment or negotiates any contract for funeral services either at-need or pre-need with the public. When a resident trainee assists in funeral service, funeral directing, embalming, or any funeral planning off the funeral home premises, such activities shall be performed only in the presence of a licensed supervisor employed with the establishment with which the resident trainee is registered.

(e) A licensed supervisor shall review with the purchaser any contract negotiated by a resident trainee, and then the licensed supervisor shall obtain the purchaser's signature on the contract in the licensed supervisor's presence.

(f) The resident trainee's license certificate for indicating the trainee's authority to assist in the activities described and authorized in this Rule and in 21 NCAC 34D .0202(b) is the resident trainee pocket certificate, which is a wallet-sized card issued by the Board to the resident trainee that bears the following:

- (1) The resident trainee's name;
- (2) The resident trainee's registration number;
- (3) The resident trainee's signature;
- (4) The date on which resident trainee was registered with the Board;
- (5) Whether the resident trainee is registered in a traineeship for funeral service, funeral directing, or embalming; and
- (6) The name of the resident trainee's supervisor.

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