



WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE A CERTIFIED COPY OF A BIRTH, DEATH OR MARRIAGE RECORD?

Per Health & Safety Code Section 103526, the following persons are authorized to purchase a certified copy of a birth, death or marriage vital record:

- The subject or parent or legal guardian of the subject.
- A child, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse or domestic partner of the subject.
- A party entitled to receive the record as a result of a court order, or an attorney or a licensed adoption agency seeking the birth record in order to comply with the requirements of Family Code Section 3140 or 7603.
- An attorney representing the subject or the subject's estate, or any person or agency empowered by statute or appointed by a court to act on behalf of the subject or the subject's estate.
- A member of a law enforcement agency or a representative of another governmental agency, as provided by law, who is conducting official business.
- Any Funeral Director or his/her employees and/or agents acting within the scope of employment, who orders certified copies of a death certificate on behalf of any individual specified in paragraph (1) to (5) inclusive, or subdivision (a) Health & Safety Code section 7100.