

- (d) If a Coroner has given notice that he intends to hold an inquest on the body, or if any officer of police intimates that it is proposed to hold an inquest, he shall not allow the cremation to take place until the inquest has been held or until he is satisfied that no inquest is to be held, or until the Coroner notifies him in writing that he assents to the cremation, although the inquest may not have been opened or completed.
- (e) He may in any case decline to allow the cremation to take place without stating the reason.
- (6) In the case of the remains of a person who has died in any place out of New Zealand the Medical Referee may accept a declaration containing the particulars contained in Form A if it be made before any person having authority in that place to administer an oath or take a declaration, and he may accept certificates in Forms B and C, signed by any medical practitioner shown to his satisfaction to possess qualifications substantially equivalent to those prescribed in the case of each certificate by these regulations, and may accept forms containing immaterial variations from the terms of the forms hereby prescribed.
- (7) In the case of any person dying of plague, cholera, or yellow fever on board ship or in any hospital established by a Hospital Board under the Hospital and Charitable Institutions Act, 1926, or in any private hospital licensed under Part III of that Act, or in any place to which such person has been removed by order made under section 84 of the Health Act, 1920, the Medical Referee, if satisfied as to the cause of death, may, with the consent in writing of the Medical Officer of Health, dispense with any of the requirements of clauses (3) and (4) of Regulation 3 hereof and of the foregoing clauses of this regulation.

#### REGULATION 7.—DISPOSAL OF ASHES.

- (1) After the cremation of the remains of a deceased person the trustees may deliver the ashes into the charge of the person who applied for the cremation, if he so desires.
- (2) If not so delivered, they shall be retained by the trustees, and, in the absence of any special arrangement for their burial or preservation, they shall, at the discretion of the trustees, be retained in a columbarium at the crematorium or be decently interred in some cemetery or burial-ground or in land adjoining the crematorium reserved for the burial of ashes.
- (3) In the case of ashes left temporarily in the charge of the trustees and not removed within a reasonable time, a fortnight's notice shall be sent by registered letter addressed to the person who applied for the cremation before the remains are interred.
- (4) In the case of an application for the delivery of ashes made by any person other than the person who applied for the cremation, or if objection be made by any person to the delivery of the ashes to the person who applied for the cremation, the trustees shall satisfy themselves of the propriety of any delivery of the ashes required of them, and shall act accordingly.
- (5) A receipt for the delivery of ashes shall be signed by the person receiving the same, and retained with the records relating to the cremation.
- (6) This regulation shall not apply to cremations taking place elsewhere than in an approved crematorium or a cemetery.

#### REGULATION 8.—RECORDS AND REGISTER.

- (1) The trustees shall appoint a Registrar, who shall keep in Form G in the Schedule hereto a register of all cremations taking place at the crematorium. He shall make the entries relating to each cremation immediately the cremation has taken place, except the final entries, which he shall make as soon as the ashes have been delivered to any person or otherwise finally disposed of.
- (2) The Medical Referee shall, after finally dealing with any application for cremation, deliver to the Registrar all documents held by him in connection with the application (whether or not such application is consented to), except the copy of the Form E issued to the sexton as provided by the said form.
- (3) All applications, certificates, statutory declarations, and other documents relating to any cremation shall be marked with a number corresponding to the number in the register, and shall be filed in order, and shall be carefully preserved by the trustees. All such