



Ohio Revised Code Section 4717.09 Continuing education.

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(A) Every two years, licensed embalmers and funeral directors shall attend not less than twelve hours of educational programs as a condition for renewal of their licenses. The board of embalmers and funeral directors shall adopt rules governing the administration and enforcement of the continuing education requirements of this section. The board may contract with a professional organization or association or other third party to assist it in performing functions necessary to administer and enforce the continuing education requirements of this section. A professional organization or association or other third party with whom the board so contracts may charge a reasonable fee for performing these functions to licensees or to the persons who provide continuing education programs.

(B) A person holding both an embalmer's license and a funeral director's license need meet only the continuing education requirements established by the board for one or the other of those licenses in order to satisfy the requirement of division (A) of this section.

(C) A person holding a courtesy card permit issued under section 4717.10 of the Revised Code is not required to satisfy the continuing education requirements specified in division (A) of this section as a condition of renewal of the permit.

(D) A crematory operator shall maintain an active certification from a crematory operator certification program as a condition for renewal of the permit.

(E) The board shall not renew the license of a licensee who fails to meet the continuing education requirements of this section and who has not been granted an exemption under division (F) or (G) of this section.

(F) Any licensee who fails to meet the continuing education requirements of this section because of undue hardship or disability, or who is not actively engaged in the practice of funeral directing or embalming in this state, may apply to the board for an exemption.



(G) Any licensee who has been an embalmer or funeral director for not less than fifty years and who is not actively in charge and ultimately responsible for a funeral home or embalming facility in this state may apply to the board for an exemption from the continuing education requirements specified in division (A) of this section.

(H) The board shall not renew the crematory operator permit of an individual who fails to satisfy the certification requirement of division (D) of this section.