

ITEMS TO WATCH

STILLBIRTH CERTIFICATE

Listed below are items that are often left blank or not completed correctly.

2. Time of Delivery (24hr) --

The time of delivery should be entered using a 24 Hour clock (0000 - 2359).
Midnight begins the new day and is entered as 0000.

4 Date of Delivery --

When a stillborn fetus is found and the date of stillbirth is not known, the date of delivery must be determined by approximation. (A date range may be used when a specific date cannot be determined.) “Unknown” and “Found” entries are not acceptable and will be rejected.

9g. Inside City Limits? --

The box for either “yes” or “no” must be checked.
If it is not known, enter “?”

10a. Father’s Current Legal Name --

If the mother was married at any time during this pregnancy, from conception to delivery, the husband is considered the legal father and must be listed as the father on the stillbirth certificate.

If the mother was not married at any time during this pregnancy, from conception to delivery, the father cannot be listed unless both the natural father and the mother sign an Acknowledgment of Paternity Affidavit.

Please refer to the “[How to Complete](#)” instructions for additional information.

#13a To Be Completed by Coroner Only: If Not Attended by Physician, Physician Assistant or Advanced Practice Professional Nurse or If From External Causes, Coroner Signature Required –

The certificate must be signed by the coroner if the delivery was not attended by a physician, physician assistant or advanced practice professional nurse or if the stillbirth was due to other than natural causes.

15. Place of Disposition --

The name of the cemetery, crematory, or other place of disposition must be entered along with the address (city and state).

17a. Signature of Funeral Service Licensee or Person Acting As Such --

The mortician or other person in charge of the disposition of the stillborn fetus must sign the stillbirth certificate.

19. Weight of Fetus --

The weight (350 grams or 12.35 ounces or more) is one of two factors used to determine whether this delivery meets the definition of a stillbirth; the other is gestation.

20. Obstetric Estimate of Gestation --

The gestation (20 completed weeks or more) is one of two factors used to determine whether this delivery meets the definition of a stillbirth; the other is weight.

25. Mother Married? (at delivery, conception, or any time between) --

If "no", has paternity acknowledgment been signed? --

The marital status of the mother and whether a paternity affidavit has been signed determines who is to be named as the father on the stillbirth certificate.

26. Place Where Delivery Occurred --

If a stillborn fetus is found and the place of delivery is not known, check "Other" and specify the place where the stillborn was found.