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Washing, Shrouding and Burial Procedure	

SCOPE

Define a procedure for when a death occurs and to prepare the body for washing, prayer, and burial.

REFERENCES

- Death Reporting Procedure P-9002
- Burial Instructions WI-9010
- Death Incident Report Form F-901

DEFINITIONS

- Coroner Office:** A selected company by ISBC to provide funeral services including transportation, washing facilities and burial services.
- Social Coordinator:** An elected member of ISBC Executive Committee and a member of the Cemetery Committee
- Washing Staff:** A group of ISBC volunteers who wash and shroud the body.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Cemetery Committee:** The entity that must be informed in cases of death. It is responsible for developing, enhancing, and making decisions concerning the Cemetery.

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Social Coordinator: An elected member of EC and a member of the Cemetery Committee. He is responsible for documenting the death, informing the Cemetery Committee through the group chat, informing the death reporter of the procedure to be followed and Coordinating with the Coroner to carry out all tasks related to the burial.

Washing Staff: Wash and shroud the body.

PROCEDURE

1. Administrative Process

- 1.1. After recording the death incident and filling the Death Reporting Form F-901, the social coordinator shall give the death incident reporter the Burial Guiding Instruction Document WI-9010 to read and abide by.
- 1.2. Upon determining the time of discharge from the hospital, the Social Coordinator shall visit the Corner to inform them of a death in the Muslim community, fill the required forms, and pay the associated fees.
- 1.3. The Social Coordinator shall inform the Imam to determine a time for Janaza prayer then informs the family of the Janaza prayer time.
- 1.4. If the deceased does not have any contagious disease, the Social Coordinator should call the Washing Staff to inform them of the death and check the availability of at least 2-3 persons to attend at the agreed upon time. But if the deceased had a contagious disease, more care should be taken. The body may not be washed and may be buried in the coffin which it was discharged from the hospital unless the family is willing to wash the body.
- 1.5. The Social Coordinator ensures that the washing and shrouding supplies are delivered to the Coroner's office, that includes:

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- Moustache Scissors
- Shaver to shave the armpits.
- Masks and gloves for the washers
- Sidr (Soap), Kafour and perfume
- Washcloth for the body
- Washcloth for the private parts
- 3 Large and 3 small towels
- 3 White sheets for shrouding
- 3-5 Thin bands to tie the white sheets around the body.
- 2 containers; one for the Sidr/soap and another for the Kafour

2. Body Washing Stage

- 2.1. Upon arrival, the washing staff shall wear masks and gloves and arrange the supplies and tools.
- 2.2. The body washing must be done in accordance with Sunnah, the washing staff shall watch the recommended video mentioned in the references.
- 2.3. The sidr or soap is mixed with water in a container and the Kafour is mixed in water in another container.
- 2.4. While removing the clothes or the plastic coffin, it is important to always cover the private parts with a cloth or towel during the body washing
- 2.5. Before washing, the washing staff must soften the joints by moving the arms up and down and from right to left few times, then trim the moustache and shave the hair under the armpit if needed



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2.6. Then, sit the body up and slowly rub the belly to release any urine or stool



2.7. One of the washing staff flips over the body to one side, while the other person uses the washcloth to clean the front and back private parts without uncovering dead's genital.



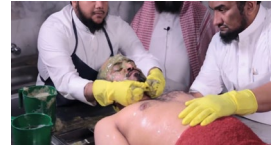
2.8. Then, perform ablution for the dead as if he is making ablution for Salat (hands are washed 3 times, rinsing the mouth 3 times by cleaning the lips and teeth, then sniffing 3 times by cleaning the nose, then wash the face 3 times and the arms 3 times, then wipe the head and finally wash the right foot and the left foot).



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2.9. After ablution, washing starts by putting the sidr or soap on the head and face and rubbing them then wash them with water making sure no water enters the mouth.



2.10. Then water is poured on the dead's right side making sure the genitals are covered.



2.11. Then the dead body is flipped over to the left side to allow the staff to wash the rest of the right side and the back.



2.12. When washing the genitals, water is poured on them without uncovering them. Then the left side is washed in the same way the right side is done.



2.13. Then the whole body is washed, then the Kafour is poured on the body starting from the right to left without rubbing because the Kafour give a nice smell to the body and expels air from the grave by Allah's will



2.14. Then the dead body is dried using a dry towel or cloth

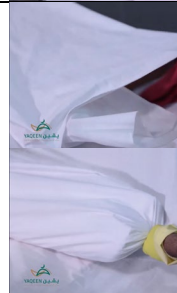


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3. Shrouding Stage

- 3.1. After drying up the washing table, 3 long white sheets are inserted under the body
- 3.2. Before covering the body, perfume is applied to the 7 prostration "Sujood" positions
- 3.3. Then the body is wrapped with the sheets starting from the right then left side.
- 3.4. The towel covering the private parts is pulled carefully making sure not to uncover the genitals.
- 3.5. The sheets sequentially are wrapped from the head and foot sides
- 3.6. The thin bands are then tied around the sheets starting from the head then the feet, then the bands are wrapped around the body from the middle to ensure tightness of the white sheets.



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- 3.7. If the family wants to see off the deceased, the head band is untied to uncover the face so they could give him a goodbye kiss and make supplication to him, once done the head is covered and the band is tied around the sheets as it was.

**4. Janaza Prayer**

- 4.1. Once washing has finished, the deceased is transported to the mosque by the Coroner office.
- 4.2. The coffin is placed at the back during the regular prayer and moved to the front once done with the prayer. Janaza Salat is done for both men and women.
- 4.3. If it is not possible to do Janaza Salat in the mosque, it could be done outside in the yard or at the cemetery.
- 4.4. The body of the deceased is placed parallel to the Qibla direction with the head on the right side.
- 4.5. ISBC Imam or whoever he selects to acts on his behalf should lead the Janaza prayer, unless it has been agreed in advance with the Imam that one of the deceased sons would wish to lead the prayer.
- 4.6. Every time there is Janaza prayer, before starting, the Imam shall explain to the people in both Arabic and English how the Janaza prayer is conducted, and he mentions the sex of the deceased and the place of accepting condolences.
- 4.7. According to the four Scholars, the Janaza prayer is performed, with 4 Takbeerat with no additions for any circumstances.
- 4.8. Once Janaza prayer is performed, the Imam urges the people to keep calm, quiet and not to raise voice in supplications as per the Sunnah of Prophet Mohammad peace be upon him.

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5. Burial Stage

- 5.1. Once done with Janaza prayer, the deceased is transported to the Islamic Cemetery where the grave would have been prepared by the Coroner office.
- 5.2. The body is placed in concrete casket (grave) made of two parts.
- 5.3. A coat of sand is thrown in the gasket before putting the body in it, and a cushion of sand is made for the head to be placed on.
- 5.4. The family of the deceased take charge of bringing the body in the grave, if not possible, whoever is present could do that.
- 5.5. The deceased is brought into the grave head first
- 5.6. If the deceased is female, her body should not be uncovered while placing her in the grave.
- 5.7. It is preferable while placing the deceased in the grave to say: "In the name of Allah and his prophet's Sunnah."
- 5.8. The deceased is laid down on his right side while his back is placed towards the grave wall.
- 5.9. The coffin bands are tightened, and it is preferred to uncover his face.
- 5.10. The face and chest are placed facing Qibla.
- 5.11. The concrete gasket is then closed firmly and then covered with sand until it is leveled with the ground.
- 5.12. As an honor to the deceased, no sand is thrown on the coffin or his body.
- 5.13. The attendees should make supplication that Allah grants him steadiness three times.
- 5.14. Depending on the circumstances, the people are reminded and advised, this is not necessarily essential in every burial.
- 5.15. ISBC Imam or whoever he nominates oversee the burial ceremony, no other persons can do so.
- 5.16. The attendees are supposed to leave the cemetery to allow the deceased family to make supplications that Allah grants him steadiness and mercy.

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5.17. ISBC shall make sure that deceased's family are aware of this procedure, they are requested to agree and authorize ISBC to be in charge. They are also required to sign the Death Incident Report Form (F-901).

DOCUMENTATION

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