

HTA's standards for licensed Post Mortem establishments

Consent standards

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| C1 Consent is obtained in accordance with the requirements of the Human Tissue Act 2004 (HT Act) and as set out in the code of practice |
| C2 Information about the consent process is provided and in a variety of formats |
| C3 Staff involved in seeking consent receive training and support in the implications and essential requirements of taking consent |

Governance and quality system standards

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| GQ1 All aspects of the establishments work are supported by ratified documented policies and procedures as part of the overall governance process |
| GQ2 There is a documented system of quality management and audit |
| GQ3 Staff are appropriately qualified and trained in techniques relevant to their work and are continuously updating their skills |
| GQ4 There is a systematic and planned approach to the management of records |
| GQ6 A coding and records system facilitates traceability of bodies, body parts, tissues and cells, ensuring a robust audit trail. |
| GQ7 There are systems to ensure that all adverse events, reactions and / or incidents are investigated promptly |
| GQ8 Risk assessments of the establishments practices and processes are completed regularly and are recorded and monitored appropriately |

Premises, facilities and equipment standards

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| PFE1 The premises are fit for purpose |
| PFE 2 Environmental controls are in place to avoid potential contamination |
| PFE3 There are appropriate facilities for the storage of bodies, body parts, tissues and cells, consumables and records. |
| PFE 4 Systems are in place to protect the quality and integrity of bodies, body parts, tissues and cells during transport and delivery to a destination |
| PFE5 Equipment is appropriate for use, maintained, quality assured, validated and where appropriate monitored |

Disposal standards

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| D1 There is a clear and sensitive policy for disposing of human organs and tissue |
| D2 The reason for disposal and the methods used are carefully documented |