

Notice

To Lodging Parties

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Update to Lands Titles Office requirements regarding provision of supporting evidence of death

Previously the Lands Titles Office has only accepted a full death certificate as satisfactory evidence for lodgment of an Application to Note Death by Survivor.

As a full death certificate contains sensitive information such as the cause of death and other identifying information, there is concern regarding privacy and security of information when an application is made to the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages in South Australia by a party that is not a close family member.

Where a person has adequate reason to establish that someone has passed away, but that person is not considered eligible to access a death certificate, an extract known as a 'fact of death extract' will be provided by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages instead.

The extract certificate is printed on secure barcoded certificate paper which is signed, sealed and certified by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages. The Lands Titles Office will now accept either a full death certificate, or an extract certificate, as satisfactory evidence for the lodgment of an Application to Note Death by Survivor. The certificate is not required to be lodged with the dealing when the Certifier is a Registered Conveyancer or Solicitor, rather a copy of the death certificate should be retained in their evidence file. For Self-Represented parties, production of evidence of death is mandatory.

Further details regarding types of death certificates issued by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages can be found [here](#).

If you require any further information relating to this update, please contact Land Services SA on (08) 8423 5000 or customersupport@landservices.com.au.



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