

## **216-RICR-10-10-1.8 Acceptance of Certificates**

### **A.**

The State Registrar and each local registrar to whom certificates are presented for registration shall examine the certificates to determine that they have been completed on authorized forms and in accordance with the Act, these Regulations, and instructions of the State Registrar.

### **B.**

The State and local registrar shall only accept a certificate or such other forms for registration if:

1. It is completed preferably electronically or by machine with black non-water soluble ink;
2. It contains the hand, machine or electronically printed name and the original signature, or electronic signature as approved by the State Registrar, of the certifier on a birth, death, or fetal death record, or of the officiant and witnesses on a marriage record.
3. The cause of death is hand, machine or electronically printed on the death record;
4. It is the original certificate on the authorized form;
5. It contains proper and consistent data;
6. It contains no corrections made with correction fluid or correction tape;
7. It includes all the information requested on the form or satisfactorily accounts for any omission; and
8. It is satisfactorily completed in accordance with the Act and these Regulations.

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**C.**

When any certificate, presented to the State or local registrar for registration, is deemed to be unacceptable for any of the reasons stated in § 1.8(B) of this Part, it shall be the duty of the registrar to notify the person responsible for filing or completing the certificate. The registrar may require the responsible person either to supply complete and correct information to be entered on the certificate or to complete and file a new certificate which shall not be marked "copy" or "duplicate."