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## Foreword

This European Standard (EN 15017:2005) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC BT/TF 139 "Funeral Services", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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## Introduction

## This European Standard:

- assures quality in funeral services including the highest respect for the deceased and bereaved and with respect for local regulations in force;
- is intended to make funeral-related services and facilities and the underlying pricing principles transparent for the consumer:
- contains framework recommendations, which duly consider the different provisions of national funeral laws and the traditions of ethical, cultural and regional funeral rites as well as hygienic and environmental considerations:
- lays down corresponding services as well as the information requirements to be fulfilled by the funeral
- outlines the profile of vocational qualifications and further educational training of funeral directors and other funeral personnel.

This European Standard is based upon the following ethical rules:

- ethical and professional relationship with client families;
- sincere respect for all the beliefs and customs of the families;
- right of the person(s) making the funeral arrangements to choose the funeral director and to decide between burial or cremation;
- right of the families to be informed of the estimated total cost of the funeral;
- complete confidentiality assured at all times, subject only to legal requirements;
- honesty, loyalty and integrity of funeral personnel in the performance of their duties;
- strict observance of all applicable laws, rules and regulations concerning the profession, both national and international;
- objective, honest and sensitive publicity;
- continuous effort to bring funeral professional knowledge to a higher level;
- integrity in the relationship with colleagues, national as well as international.

## 1 Scope

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## 2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following terms and definitions apply:

#### 2.1

#### Bereavement care

comprehensive term covering the offer of services intended to help the bereaved cope with the loss in material and psychological terms

#### 2.2

#### **Burial**

interment of human remains

#### 2.3

## **Ceremony hall**

special area for the performance of a mourning ceremony

#### 2.4

## Columbarium

area where contained ashes can be stored in niches

#### 2.5

## Consultation

establishment of the wishes of the client, suggestions regarding products and services to be delivered and their costs

#### 2.6

## Consultation on the pre-arrangements of funerals

elaboration of an individual proposal regarding the deliveries and services for a future funeral, including its financing

## 2.7

## Cortege

procession of people who are walking and/or riding to a funeral

#### 2.8

## **Cosmetic application**

superficial corrections, covering, and enhancement of the natural features of the deceased

## 2.9

#### Cremation

entire procedure of incineration of the deceased

## 2.10

## **Cremation services**

any services pertaining to the cremation process

#### 2.11

## Crematorium

building fitted with appliances for the purpose of exclusively burning human remains, including everything incidental or ancillary thereto and with a public area, which allows a dignified farewell ceremony