



CONSOLATO D'ITALIA

Perth

REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED FOR THE TRANSFER OF ASHES TO ITALY

1. The urn containing the ashes must be labeled with the deceased's surname and name (in case of married women, the maiden surname must be also specified). The human bones and comparable human remains must be gathered in a **flame welded zinc urn**, labeled with the name and surname of the deceased. The thickness of the urn must not be less than 0,660 millimeters;
1. documents required by the Department of Shipping, Customs, etc., are the responsibility of the Funeral Directors;
2. The following documents must be forwarded to the Italian Consulate by email at perth.statocivile@esteri.it at least four weeks prior to the departure date:
 - a) one original copy of the Death Certificate legalized ("Apostilled") by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (tel: 1300 935 260) and translated into Italian by a [NAATI accredited translator](#)¹;
 - b) Health Department letter for international and interstate repatriation of human remains from Western Australia, stating the cause of death and that at the time of death there were no contagious diseases in the area. In case of deceased women, the maiden surname must be included in said letter. The letter must then be legalized ("Apostilled") by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and translated into Italian;
 - c) Cremation certificate legalized ("Apostilled") by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and translated into Italian;
 - d) consular fees of €50.00² payable with exact cash or Australian issued physical debit card only of which you know the PIN;
 - e) declaration by the Funeral Directors that the ashes have been prepared as described above; this does not need apostille nor translation;
 - f) flight details;

The transfer of human bones and comparable human remains, apart from requiring the various authorizations described above, is not subject to any of the hygienic precaution measures necessary for the transfer of human remains.

¹ <https://www.naati.com.au/>

² payable only in AUD as indicated on our fees list;

<https://consperth.esteri.it/it/servizi-consolari-e-visti/servizi-per-il-cittadino-straniero/tariffario/>