

GUIDANCE IN THE CASE OF DEATH

INFORMATIONS AROUND THE FUNERAL

City of Berne and area / International transportations



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Dear Reader

The death of a loved one is associated with a painful parting. In addition to the loss suffered there are arrangements to be made. It confronts the survivors with questions which they have probably barely considered and which represent a great challenge in the midst of sadness and grief. It is important that the last words are the last homage to the spirit of the deceased. In addition to the formalities concerning the announcement of the death, the organisation of the funeral there are other aspects of the burial to take care of, such as future planting and care of the grave and commissioning the relevant people.

Since 1975 the company Egli Bestattungen Bern has been in the service of the bereaved, public authorities, hospitals, old people's homes and communities. Thanks to decades of experience and constant training, up to undertaker with federal certificate, we are able to inform you competently and professionally on all services relating to a fatality and to handling this in a dignified way.

This brochure will help you find your way around the most important organisational areas. Even by putting people and their individual needs as reverently as possible in the foreground, we still can't get around the fact that the death must be factually correctly processed and laws and regulations must be complied with. We want to support you, to shape and use the space available to you according to your wishes.

On the following pages you will find assistance, to help ease the burden of dealing with a death. We will be glad to assist you with any questions or uncertainties.

With kind regards Your Egli Team Bern



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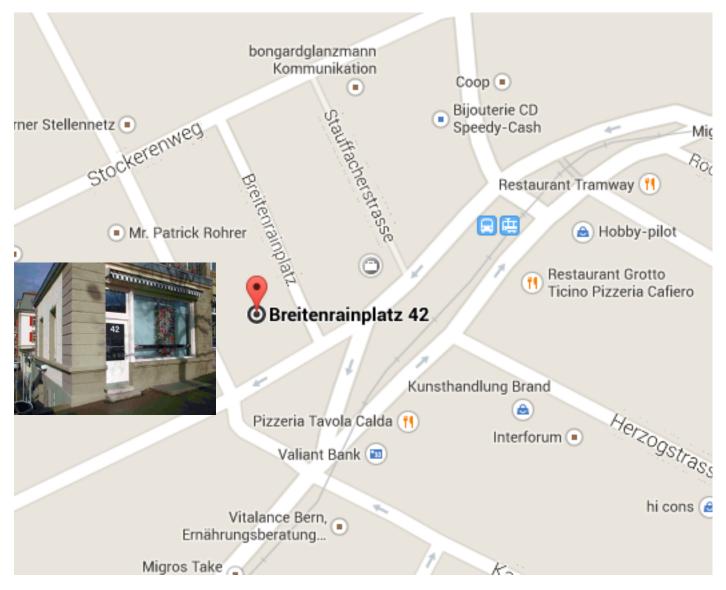
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Our location in Berne

Breitenrainplatz 42 3014 Bern



Breitenrainplatz 42 in 3014 Bern (Corner Breitenrainstrasse - Elisabethenstrasse)

You will reach us by public transports Tram: line 9, RBS-Bus: line 36

Enough parking place close to our institut

First measures in the case of death

Death at home

Call your family or treating doctor

In case of absence call:

- -The emergency medical service: Tel. 0900 57 67 47 (CHF 1.98/min. conventional tel. network)
- -City Emergency: Tel. 031 326 20 00 daily from 07.00 to 22.00 h

Ambulance centre at the main station: Tel. 031 335 50 00 Mon - Fri: 07:00 h - 21:00 h

Sat/Sun: 09:00 h - 18:00 h

Each police station will support you: Tel. 031 634 41 11 The doctor in charge will issue the obituary-certificate.

Death resulting from an accident

An accidental death must be reported immediately to the police in order to clarify the events and cause of the accident.

Important: This does not just include traffic accidents but all accidents occurring at work, at home or during leisure activities.

The police will inform the responsible public health official.

The funeral parlour will take over transportation to the Institute for Forensic Medicine on order from the responsible Public Health Office.

The release of the deceased will be communicated to the family by the examining magistrate (Medical Examiner) or the police.

Death in hospital/retirement home or nursing home

The hospital will issue the report of a death and will take care to make sure that physician's death certificate is issued.

A death must be reported within two days

On request, we will deal with all services and formalities.

We are on-call 24 hours a day - 356 days a year

Therefore the following documents are important for registration:

Swiss citizens:

Family book (if married)
Identity card and/or passport
Residence permit

Persons with residence abroad:

Passport, birth certificate with full names of parents

Marriage record (for married persons only)

Further documents may be required.

Short guide in the case of death

Documents needed for the official registration

- Residence permit and/or family book.
- Obituary-certificate issued by the doctor.
- Form "Anmeldung eines Todesfalles" issued by the hospital/home or a relevant authorization.

Persons with residence abroad will need their passport, birth certificate or marriage certificate with names of parents.

Official registration of the death at the place of death

- The registration has to be carried out within two days

Funeral home

- By desire we take care of registering the dates for cremation, burial and funeral services and help you by the choice of the gravesite.

Priest/clergy/speaker

- Contacting a priest and arrange the dates.
- Can be asked: curriculum vitae.

Death announcement

- You draw up the text (yourself or with our assistance).
- Selecting the design and the number of copies.
- Pre-order of envelopes, stamping and addressing on request.

Obituary

- Selecting the newspaper in with the obituary shall appear

Floral decorations

- Flower in coffin
- Decoration in church or chapel
- Coffin bouquet, wreath, unbound flowers, grave decorations

Normally organised by the family

- Funeral dinner
- Reservation in restaurant,
- Indicate number of guests, select menu

Funeral home Egli Bestattungen Berne

Team – Egli Berne supports you on all above listed procedures.

We will be glad to discuss with you the necessary actions at our office or at your home. Tel. 031 333 88 00 day and night.

Our services

Official registration / needed documents

- Residency permit and/or family book
- Obituary-certificate issued by the doctor

Bestattungsdienst

- Consulting service 24 hours day and night
- Coffin delivery
- Dressing, to coffin
- Transportation service
- Laying out
- Transportation of flowers and urns
- Attendance at funeral and interment

Printing materials

- In house printing of death announcements within 3-4 hours, also on weekends and holidays.
- Submission of obituaries to newspapers
- Printing thank-you cards approximately 10 days after the funeral
- Designs, a couple of samples from our assortment on page 18

Funeral service

- Disposition priest/clergy/speaker
- Scheduling
- Call up organ players and/or soloists

Floral services

- Floral decorations
- Chapel/church arrangements
- Coffin bouquet
- Flower arrangements
- Wreaths

Individual services by request

- Transfer by bus or taxi
- Photo service
- Candle arrangements
- Multi-media, video, slides, flat-screen and large-screen projections

International services

Included in our speciality is international transportation of deceased persons to foreign countries or repatriation of persons who died abroad at favourable terms.

The following services are available:

-Consulting 24 hours day and night

Formalities and services

- Coffin delivery compliant with international guidelines
- Dressing, embedding the deceased

Document service

- Laissez-passer for a corpse
- Medical transportation certificate
- Laissez-passer for a corpse
- Medical certificate of transportation
- Coffin certificate
- International death certificate
- Embassy
- Flight booking for the deceased person
- Transport with specially equipped hearses
- Soldering the zinc lining, sealing the coffin
- Settling costs with insurers

By desire we organize

- Parting accordingly the respective religion
- Room reservation for ritual washing
- Organisation of embalment and/or treatment by formalin
- Laying out with 24 hours death watch

On request we organize

- Ceremony conforming to religion
- Ritual washing
- Embalming /formaldehyde treatment
- Laying out with death watch

Consultation available in following languages:

- German, french, italian and english.

Important

- Before you award a contract, demand an offer from companies that do not provide transparent rates. The prices can be very different.

Community funeral by the city of Berne

Excerpt from the Burial and Funeral Regulations in the Community of Berne

Art. 8 Para. 1: If a person holding legal residence in the community of Bern passes away without estate, that person entitled to free burial.

Para. 2: The Family members of the deceased must submit an application and demonstrate that the conditions for the entitlement are fulfilled.

Art. 9 Para. 1: Any person who requests additional services for fee funeral must bear financial responsibility for the expenses. The application will be approved or denied in conformity with the Burial and Funeral Regulations of the Police Directorate of the City of Berne and in compliance with the Sealing Protocol.

You may obtain forms

- at the Burial Registry for Berne (Bestattungsamt), Predigergasse 5, Office 111,
- at the community coffin supplier, Egli Bestattungen Berne.

The following services will be provided by the city of Berne if community funeral is granted: Community coffin, coffin pillow and burial shroud, embedding and clothing the deceased, laying out Transportation within the metropolitan area (beyond them at the expense of the client) Simple coffin, pillow, ental of the visitation room

Rental of the chapel and costs for the organ player

Cremation costs

Simple urns

Linear coffin grave/linear urn grave or common grave respective burial into an existing grave.

- die Bestattung in einem Sargreihengrab oder die Feuerbestattung, die Urne und ein Urnenreihengrab bzw. die Beisetzung der Urne in einem bestehenden Grab oder im Gemeinschaftsgrab.
- The following services are not included and will be billed to the client:

 Setting all official formalities, recovery with stretcher and body bag,
 emergency response team costs, as well as other additional requested services.
- Informations about Community funeral services for other communities are available on request.

Sealing in the case of death

ZGB Art. 552 / EG ZGB Art. 58 /

The tax law of the city of Bern requires that an inventory of any estate must be taken. In order to secure this estate, it is to be officially sealed initially. So that this seal fulfils its intended function at first, action must be taken immediately after death. Whether a marriage contract, inheritance contract or last will and testament exists is irrelevant. This seal allows a provision and abbreviated inventory to be taken. As a rule, only the sealing protocol will be filled out. In rare cases objects or even the residence itself will be sealed. The responsible Seal Clerk will receive the report of death from the Civil Registry Office. By appointment, the clerk is obligated to meet with the family of the deceased at most three or four days after the death. Those present are obligated to provide information about the assets of the deceased. This includes disclosures about securities, valuables, life insurance, pensions or accident insurance policies and real estate. If the duty to disclose is violated by those present at the sealing or if the is a suspicion that something was not disclosed, this can result in tax penalties. In the seal protocol, the Clerk will also establish whether assets had been designated as advancements on the inheritance or as bequests. The Sealing Clerk will determine what is a legal bequest, who is a legal heir, and whether there are wills, arriage contracts or inheritance contracts.

Based in the Sealing Protocol, the Government Official will determine whether an official inventory from am Bern Notary Officer is to be included in the public documentation. This inventory will be required, if the testator paid taxes in the Canton of Berne and her/his assets total more the Fr. 100'000, if there are minor heirs or if an heir is under legal guardianship or if an heir demands it.

ASSOCIATION OF BERNE NOTARY OFFICERS
Secretariat: Waisenhausplatz 14
Postbox, 3001 Bern
Tel. 031 311 09 79
Fax 031 311 09 82
www.bernernotar.ch
Sealing Estate on Death

Legal questions concerning the inheritance

Last will and testament:

If the deceased has left behind one or more will/s, they must be immediately presented unopened to the Office of Wills and Inheritance/Seal Office, even if they are deemed invalid.

Inheritance contracts:

If there are inheritance contracts, they will be Opened by the Notary Office on the order of the testator or on demand of an heir or legatee. In the event that heirs are appointed in the inheritance contract or legal heirs waive their inheritance, it is recommended that you demand an official opening. Otherwise an heir cannot be listed as such in the official certificate of inheritance or a legal heir will make note in that document that he/she may wish to waive his/her portion of the inheritance. If inheritance contracts exist, the surviving spouse can demand official opening. He/she can also assert any claims deriving from the marriage contract against the other inheritors himself/herself. A marriage contract must be brought to the attention of the tax authorities.

Public inventory:

The request for a public inventory must be submitted within one month to the local government official. This procedure is recommended if the suspicion exists that the deceased has left unknown debts behind. Keep in mind that every heir is liable for all debts of the deceased, and that with his/her entire fortune. This liable can only be restricted by a public inventory will debt call, through liquidation or renunciation of inheritance.

Renunciation of inheritance:

A renunciation of inheritance must be registered within three months of the local government in official's becoming aware of a death. Any extension of this deadline is only possible for due and sufficient cause. Please note that the person renouncing the inheritance may not in any way become involved in matters affecting the estate, and if that person does so, then he/she may no longer renounce the inheritance.

Tax inventory:

The estate may not be disposed of before inventory is taken without the permission of the Wills and Inheritances Office.

Distribution of the Estate: The legal succession of heirs and the shares of individual heirs can be modified within certain limits by a last will and testament or inheritance contract.

In the case of ambiguities we recommend that you consult a Notary Officer.

Terms of pre-arranged funeral contract

The contract

We all must depart from this world at some time. We know this, but often we suppress this fact. But basically we all need to confront it. When we pass away, our family and friends will be confronted with a number of questions that are often not easy to decide. With this consideration in mind, we have created the pre-arranged funeral contract. With its help, you can assert your last wishes for your funeral and burial. Moreover, you can rest assured that those you leave behind will not face a financial burden.

We will be glad to present our prearranged funeral arrangements proposal in a personal preliminary consultation. This first consultation is free of charge and takes you only 20 to 30 minutes.

The most important parts of the contract are:

You specify in detail how you would like to be buried and conclude the contract.

We enter the obligation to perform all selected services with all due care and consideration.

The lump sum amount resulting from the services selected will be paid to an account with the Swiss Association for Funeral and Burial Services SSBV, 6003 Lucerne, to which only you and we have shared access.



	Choise	of the	coffin /	'Embedding

Cofins, veneer or solid	starting at Fr.	845
Upholstery, white, standard	starting at Fr.	90
Coffin pillow	Fr.	55
Coffin lid	Fr.	60
Coloured upholstery, set of 3 pieces	Fr.	180
Burial shroud	Fr.	70
Dressing and embedding with 2 men	starting at Fr.	240
Transportation in and around Berne area	Fr.	240

Formalities, organisation und printed matters

Settling the official formalities	per hour Fr.	195
Organisation and working hours by effort	Fr.	110
Death announcements starting at 30 pieces (per 10 extra Fr. 20) Fr.	210

Parting

Laying out in church incl. vehicules	depending on time and effort
Transportations of the urne/flowers Berne area	Fr. 85
Grave cross including legend	Fr. 180

Flowers and candles

Bounch of flowers put into the hands	starting at Fr.	35
Floral decoration ind the coffin	starting at Fr.	65
Decoration of the urne	starting at Fr.	120
Coffin bouquet with seasonal flowers	starting at Fr.	180
Floral heart	starting at Fr.	130

Average costs for funeral parlour servies ca excl. VAT

Fr. 2'500.-

Futher informations available at:

Stiftung für Konsumentenschutz SKS Broschüre "Was tun wenn jemand stirbt " Monbijoustrasse 61, Postfach, 3000 Bern 23 www.konsumentenschutz.ch Telefon: 031 370 24 24

Those seeking to make advanced funeral arrangements will receive detailed informations in a personal consultation.

Rates of crematorium Berne incl. VAT www.krematorium.ch

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Rent of mortuary room for a maximum of 3 days	Fr.	230
each additional day	Fr.	65
Rent of floral decorations in the mortuary room	Fr.	98
Candle services in the mortuary room	Fr.	65
Use of the cooling room for a maximum of 2 days	Fr.	120
each additional day	Fr.	65

Chanels

Gliapeis		
Use of the little chapel (with floral decoration only)	Fr.	250
Use of the big chapel without floral decoration	Fr.	200
Use of the big chapel with floral decoration in rent	Fr.	300
Candle service	Fr.	38
Organ playing	Fr.	150
Practice honorarium for organist (if needed)	Fr.	85
Use of organ (instruction included)	Fr.	105
Organ playing and use of disc player (service included)	Fr.	200
Use of disc player (service included)	Fr.	80
Replacement of 3rd partie flowers, floral wreath	Fr.	35
Flower transportation inside the cemetery	Fr.	15

Cremation

Cremation of adult with standard urne	Fr.	600
Cremation of adult with special coffin	Fr.	700
Cremation of adult with loaned urne	Fr.	570
Cremation of adult with special coffin/loaned urne	Fr.	670
Cremation of children/youth with standard urne	Fr.	450
Cremation of children/youth with loaned urne	Fr.	420
Cremation of stillborn infand with chuild urne	Fr.	180
Cremation of stillborn with loaned urne	Fr.	150

Buriel niches for urnes

On request

Fr.

162.-

Use of visitation room max. 3 days	Fr.	216
each extra day (without Sat/Sun and public holidays)	Fr.	72
Rent of floral decorations in the visitation room	Fr.	140
Candle service in the visitation room	Fr.	72
Odridie Service III the Visitation room	1 1.	12.
Chapells / without VAT		
Rent of the chapel incl. music system	Fr.	130
Rent of flower decorations	Fr.	140
Candle service	Fr.	42
Organ playing	Fr.	135
Practice honorarium for organist if needed	Fr.	100
Use of music system incl. controls	Fr.	140
Burial		
Administration fees	Fr.	55
Common grave in lawn for urns (tomb / field)	Fr.	270
Urnen Themengrab	Fr.	1'934
Linear urn grave	Fr.	2'550
Urn grave in grove	Fr.	3'366
Urn in family grave	Fr.	9'510
Burial niche for urns	Fr.	2'616
Children under 14 years / urn	Fr.	1'134
Common grave in lawn for coffins	Fr.	270
Linear coffin grave / Muslim grave	Fr.	3'714
Family grave	Fr.	10'374
Children under 14 years / coffin in child grave	Fr.	1'134
These terms shall apply as of 1 January 2014. They are subject to char	nge.	
Name placement on common graves incl VAT		
Urns: Bremgartenfriedhof	Fr.	324
Urns: Schosshaldenfriedhof	Fr.	389
Urns: Bümpliz	Fr.	162
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Coffins: only Bremgartenfriedhof

Bremgartenfriedhof Friedhof Bümpliz Schosshaldenfriedhof Krematorium Bern	Murtenstrasse 51 3008 Bern Bottigenstrasse 40 3018 Bern Ostermundigenstrasse 116 3006 Bern Weyermannsstrasse 1 3008 Bern	Telefon 031 381 04 04 031 321 23 73 031 321 23 02 031 387 20 20
Belp / www.friedhof-be	elp.ch Friedhofweg 3123 Belp	031 818 22 22 031 819 41 86
Bolligen, Ittigen, Worbla Cemetery / Gardener	aufen, Habstetten / www.bolligen.ch Kirchstrasse 31 3065 Boligen (GEWA Zollikofen)	031 924 70 20 079 352 64 33
Bremgarten bei Bern / Cemetery / Gardener	www.bremgarten-be.ch Kirchweg 3047 Bremgarten bei Bern	031 306 64 64 031 301 55 89
Kirchlindach / www.kir Cemetery	chlindach.ch Lindachstrasse 3038 Kirchlindach	031 828 21 21 031 302 07 08
Köniz / www.koeniz.ch Köniz Niederscherli Oberwangen Wabern Nesslerenholz	Mösliweg 37 3098 Köniz Rifishaltenstrasse 3145 Niederscherli Mühlestrasse 3173 Oberwangen Lindenweg 3084 Wabern	031 970 97 24 031 971 92 08 031 849 00 54 031 980 05 80 031 961 56 96
Muri - Gümligen / www Seidenberg / Aebnit	v.muri-guemligen.ch Friedhofstrasse 3074 Muri bei Bern	031 950 54 54 031 950 54 54
Ostermundigen / www. Cemetery see Bern Scho	ostermundigen.ch sshaldenfriedhof or Bolligen	
Stettlen / www.stettlen Cemetery	n.ch Bernstrasse 41 3063 Stettlen	031 930 88 30 031 930 88 39
Wohlen b. Bern / www. Cemetery	wohlen-be.ch Hauptstrasse 3033 Wohlen bei Bern	031 828 81 11 031 829 05 34
Zollikofen / www.zollik Cemetery	ofen.ch Wahlackerstrasse 3052 Zollikofen	031 910 91 11 031 910 91 33

Death notices and newspapers inserts

Printed matters

30 circulars Fr. 210.incl. are composition/printing/folding and envelopes
further 10 specimens Fr. 20.Duplex-Druck: 2. Seite bedrucken / pro Seite Fr. 0.50
Farbdruck möglich / Scanservice / Bildbearbeitung oder Direktversand nach Aufwand

Informations about donnation accounts www.zewo.ch / www.spendenspiegel.ch / www.spendenplattform.ch

Our range of products



These terms shall applay as of September 2019. They are subject to change.

Text templates

Death notice in newspapers

We advise and launch your death notice in newspapers desired.

Selection of local newspapers

Anzeiger Region Bern Edition on Wednesday and Friday

Berner Zeitung / Der Bund daily exept Sunday

Costs depend on space (Average costs: Fr. 600.- to 1'200.-)

Todesanzeige

Sinnspruch ev. Foto

In stiller Trauer nehmen wir Abschied von

Vorname Name - Name als ledig

Geburtsdatum - Sterbedatum

Nach einem reich erfüllten Leben ist er, von den Beschwerden des Alters, sanft erlöst worden. *Ev. persönliche Anmerkung.*

PLZ, Wohnort, Datum Die Trauernden: Adresse Ehegatte

oder Kinder, Geschwister Traueradresse: Anverwandte...

Die Trauerfeier findet statt, Tag/Datum/Zeit, in der Kirche/Kapelle Ort/ ev. Adresse.

Herzlichen Dank

für die liebevolle Anteilnahme die wir beim Abschied von

Eventuell ein Foto

Vorname Name - Name als ledig

erfahren durften.

Es ist schwer, einen geliebten Menschen zu verlieren. Jedoch zu wissen, wie viele ihn schätzten und gern hatten, gibt uns Trost.

Danken möchten wir *PfrerIn / RednerIn / Orgelspiel / Vereine für den letzten Fahnengruss / sowie weiteren Personen für die Unterstützung / Begleitung wie auch den Ärzten / Pflegenden / Spitex für die liebevolle und gute Betreuung, allen, die der Verstorbenen Person im Leben in Freundschaft begegnet sind.*

Ort, im Monat Die Trauerfamilie



- Wegleitung im Todesfall (german) "Informationen rund um die Bestattung"
- Guide en cas de décès (french) "Informations autour du funérailles"
- Für meine Angehörigen (german) "Vertrauliche Angaben für den Abschluss meiner Lebensreise"
- Pour mes proches (french) "Informations confidentielles pour la fin de ma vie"
- Sterbevorsorge Informationen (german)

"Die weitere Lebensreise befreit angehen"

Regelung der Bestattung im Vertrag der Stiftung Schweizerische Bestattungsvorsorge SSBV. Für Interessierte besteht die Möglichkeit, die Bestattung zu Lebzeiten zu Regeln.

