

Advice on what to do in the event of a death

IN HOSPITAL

The hospital staff will provide the death certificate, but tell them which Funeral Director YOU want, you don't have to have the one they suggest. See the list of suggested Funeral Directors below.

AT HOME

1. Ring a doctor

Preferably ring the doctor who has been treating the deceased. If a hospital has been involved recently, then they may be able to help. If you need help outside normal hours, the emergency number is 112 for all services including health. You can ask for an English speaking operator if necessary.

- If you call 112, do **not** ask for Police or Guardia Civil unless there are suspicious circumstances.
- A death certificate must be obtained before the Funeral Director can move the deceased.

2. Ring a Funeral director

The Funeral Director will make all the arrangements for the funeral. They will attend to all the necessary paperwork and, if you wish, can organise a religious or non-religious service. They should also register the death at the local Town Hall within 24 hours.

Listed below are details of local Funeral Directors:

MARINA BAIXA:

TANATORIO MARINA BAIXA ~ TEL: 96 589 5858

There is no particular contact but an English speaker is generally available on request.

OUTSIDE OF THE MARINA BAIXA :

DENIA: TANATORIO/CREMATORIO MARINA ALTA - TEL: 96 643 5428 (24 HOURS)

English speaking company in Denia who provide a full service and will give general advice. They also cover the Gandia and La Safor areas and their chapel and crematorium is at Denia.

GANDIA ~ CONSUELO MIÑANA TEL: 96 287 1188

They have their own cremation facilities and a chapel for services at Gandia, but they don't speak English, so you may need an interpreter.

OLIVA ~ TEL: 96 283 8221

3. Religious Service

The Costa Blanca Anglican Chaplaincy, which is part of the Church of England in Spain, conduct funeral services in English in accordance with the family's wishes and to suit all Christian denominations and traditions. If you wish to use this service, advise the Funeral Director. Further information is available from Fr Ray Andrews - Tel: 616 237 406 revrayandrews@aol.com