

DIRECTIONS OF THE DISPOSITION OF MEDICAL DEVICES

1. PARTIES:

FUNERAL HOME: _____
(Name of Funeral Home)

REPRESENTATIVE: _____
(Name of Representative)

DECEDENT: _____
(Name of Decedent)

2. RELATIONSHIP OF REPRESENTATIVE:

The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to the FUNERAL HOME that the relationship between the REPRESENTATIVE and the DECEDENT is as follows (check the appropriate box):

- Spouse
- Next of Kin (Closest Living Relative)
- Personal Representative of Next of Kin with written authorization of Next of Kin to act on his or her behalf
- Other: _____

3. AUTHORITY OF REPRESENTATIVE:

The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to FUNERAL HOME that the REPRESENTATIVE is the person or the appointed agent of the person who by law has the paramount right to arrange and direct the disposition of the remains of the DCEDENT and that no other person(s) has a superior right over the right of the REPRESENTATIVE.

4. DIRECTIONS AS TO DISPOSITION OF MEDICAL DEVICES:

The REPRESENTATIVE directs the FUNERAL HOME to arrange and carry out the disposition of the medical devices listed on the reverse side herof or on next page in accordance with the corresponding directions selected by the REPRESENTATIVE.

5. PROHIBITIONS ON RECYCLING PACEMAKERS AND DEFIBRILLATORS:

Pacemakers and defibrillators are single-use devices, and it is a violation of federal law to ship these devises to another user without a license.

6. INDEMNIFICATION:

The REPRESENTATIVE agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the FUNERAL HOME from any claims or causes of action arising or relating in any respect to the direction of the REPRESENTATIVE regarding the disposition of medical devices.

DATE: _____ **SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE:** _____

LIST OF MEDICAL DEVICES

ITEM	DIRECTIONS
<input type="checkbox"/> Eyeglasses	<input type="checkbox"/> Donate to _____ * <input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of at discretion of FUNERAL HOME <input type="checkbox"/> Return to REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Item to remain with DECEDENT
<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Aid	<input type="checkbox"/> Donate to _____ * <input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of at discretion of FUNERAL HOME <input type="checkbox"/> Return to REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Item to remain with DECEDENT
<input type="checkbox"/> Pacemaker / Defibrillator	<input type="checkbox"/> Return to Manufacturer * <input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of at discretion of FUNERAL HOME <input type="checkbox"/> Return to REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Item to remain with DECEDENT (not permitted with cremation)
<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (List other item)	<input type="checkbox"/> Donate to _____ * <input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of at discretion of FUNERAL HOME <input type="checkbox"/> Return to REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Item to remain with DECEDENT
<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (List other item)	<input type="checkbox"/> Donate to _____ * <input type="checkbox"/> Dispose of at discretion of FUNERAL HOME <input type="checkbox"/> Return to REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> Item to remain with DECEDENT

* See next page for list of charitable organizations that accept donations, as well as a list of pacemaker/defibrillator manufacturers.

DONATING HEARING AIDS AND EYEGLASSES TO CHARITIES

This list contains contact and shipping information for charitable organizations that redistribute eyeglasses and hearing aids. The list is neither exhaustive nor does it constitute an endorsement of these organizations by NFDA or NYSFDA. Funeral homes are free to direct donations through other charitable organizations.

HEARING AIDS

Hearing aids in any condition and any model may be donated.

Carefully wrap and place used hearing aids in a Lions hearing aid collection container found at various community locations, such as the local library, village administrative center, senior center, or audiologist or optometrist's office. Hearing aids may also be sent to the nearest Lions Hearing Aid Recycling Center. Visit the Lions Clubs International Web site at www.lionsclubs.org to find a center near you. Or email programs@lionsclubs.org.

EYEGLASSES

Both plastic- and metal-frame eyeglasses may be sent to Lions Clubs International for recycling. Funeral homes are instructed to remove loose and broken lenses and frames. The eyeglasses should be packed in a sturdy corrugated-cardboard box. If sending more than one pair of eyeglasses, layer rows of eyeglasses with tissue paper, newspaper or Styrofoam. Please avoid using shredded packing material or Styrofoam peanuts. Seal the box with strapping tape and include your return address on the envelope.

Lions Clubs International Headquarters
Attention: Receiving Department
300 W. 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523, USA

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR MANUFACTURERS OF PACEMAKERS AND DEFIBRILLATORS

The name of the manufacturer will appear on the device. You should rinse off the extracted device in tap water, place it in a plastic bag labeled with a biohazard sticker and then contact the manufacturer to obtain a kit that contains shipping materials and documentation to return the device. The contact information for each manufacturer follows:

1. Medtronic (Vitatron)
800.328.2518 ext. 46223
2. St. Jude Medical (Ventritex)
800.933.9956 or 800.681.9293
3. Guidant Corp.
800.227.3422
4. ELA Medical, Inc.
800.352.6466
5. Biotronik, Inc.
800.547.0394