



Informational Bulletin

Moser Funeral Home Body Removal

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Moser's Funeral home has changed their policies to state they will no longer remove deceased bodies weighing >400 lbs. Our department administration is currently working to clarify this issue.

As a result of this policy change, we as a department have been requested to assist the FCSO in body removal from a structure and hand off to Moser Funeral home staff for transport.

Please remember our main goal is to assist the citizens and visitors to Fauquier County and this may require our staff to assist Moser Funeral home in body removal. The importance of exposure control should be considered when conducting such operations.

If needed, due to decomposing bodies utilize Tyvek suits and possibly SCBA. If you are unable to locate Tyvek suits in your station, please contact Battalion Chief Arft or Capt. Woodward. Battalion Chief Smith is in the process of making kits to be carried on the EMS supervisor and Battalion vehicles.

This operation is to assist in maintaining the dignity of the deceased person and is not an emergent incident so please take time to ensure provider safety in regards to exposure control and mental health considerations.

Questions regarding this bulletin can be directed to Battalion Chief Arft.