

Application for Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth

Please print. Must include photocopy of valid picture identification. First Name Middle Name Last Name Full Name on State Record: Month Day Year Sex Date of Event: First Name Middle Name Last Name Father's Full Name on State Record: First Name Middle Name Last Name (Maiden Name) Mother's Full Maiden Name on State Record: **Applicant Information Applicant** Name: Mailing Address: ____ City: State: Zip: Daytime Telephone: _(_____) Relationship: Mother _ Father _ Number of Copies: x \$20.00 =Identification: For Expedited Services + \$5.00 Type of ID: For Lonestar Overnight Return + \$8.00 Total Amount Enclosed = Expiration Date:_____ Please include photocopy of ID

Applicant Signature: _____ Date:_____

For any search where a record is not found, the searching fee is not transferable or refundable.

Applications without valid identification will not be processed.

WARNING: THE PENALTY FOR KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT IN THIS FORM CAN BE 2-10 YEARS IN PRISON AND A FINE OF UP TO \$10,000. (HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, CHAPTER 195, SEC. 195.003)





How to request a Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth

Parents of a stillborn child may order a *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth (CBRS)*. If the child was of a gestational age of no less than 20 weeks, parents may request a *CBRS* from the Texas Vital Statistics by submitting this application and the \$20.00 fee.

When a *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth* is requested, Texas Vital Statistics will issue a certificate with the name, date of delivery, city and county in which the event took place, and parent or parents' names. This information can only be taken from the state fetal death record on file in the Texas Vital Statistics office. The *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth* can not be used as proof of live birth.

If a *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth* is requested and a parent did not wish to provide a name on the state death record at the time of completion, the *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth* will be issued with the name "Baby Boy" or "Baby Girl" and the last name of the parent.

If a parent wishes to have the name added or make any other changes to the *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth*, the state death record will need to be amended in order to make the desired changes. To amend the record, a parent can complete the application form VS-172 and sign it in the presence of a notary public. The VS-172 application can be obtained at the office of any local registrar or may be downloaded from the Texas Vital Statistics website at the following link: http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/vs/reqproc/amendment.shtm. The fee for amending the record is \$15.00.

To request a *Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillborn*, complete this from and return it along with a photocopy of valid photo identification and a check or money order made payable to the Department of State Health Services at:

Texas Vital Statistics Unit P.O. Box 12040 Austin, Texas 78711-2040

If extra fees for expedited services have been included, you will need to overnight the required information and fees to our office, by overnight service, (do not use <u>priority mail</u> or <u>certified mail</u> as this will delay the process) to our physical address:

Texas Vital Statistics Unit 1100 West 49th Street Austin, Texas 78756

For questions, please contact our office through our toll-free number: (888) 963-7111. Texas Vital Statistics Unit office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Visit our website at: www.dshs.state.tx.us/vs