

Texas Administrative Code

[TITLE 25](#)

HEALTH SERVICES

[PART 1](#)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

[CHAPTER 181](#)

VITAL STATISTICS

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MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

RULE §181.7

Fetal Death (Stillbirth)

(a) A certificate of fetal death shall be filed for any fetus weighing 350 grams or more, or if the weight is unknown, a fetus aged 20 weeks or more as calculated from the start date of the last normal menstrual period to the date of delivery.

(b) A certificate of fetal death shall be considered properly filed:

(1) when all of the items thereon have been satisfactorily and definitely answered; and

(2) when the certificate has been presented for filing to the local registrar of the registration district in which the fetal death (stillbirth) occurred or the fetus was found. A certificate of fetal death (stillbirth) shall be filed with the local registrar within five days after the date of fetal death (stillbirth).

Source Note: The provisions of this §181.7 adopted to be effective January 1, 1976; amended to be effective July 3, 2003, 28 TexReg 4904; amended to be effective July 22, 2004, 29 TexReg 6936

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