

DIRECTIONS ON THE DISPOSITION OF MEDICAL DEVICES

1. **PARTIES:**

“FUNERAL HOME”:
(Name of Funeral Home)

“REPRESENTATIVE”:
(Use Reverse Side
for Additional Names)
(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 the 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 DECEDENT 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 hereof 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 devices 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 related in any respect to the direction of the REPRESENTATIVE regarding the disposition of medical devices.

DATE:

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE

LIST OF MEDICAL DEVICES

<u>Items</u>	<u>Directions</u>
<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"/> _____ (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"/> _____ (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.

** See last page for list of pacemaker/defibrillator manufacturers.

DONATING HEARING AIDS AND EYEGLASSES TO CHARITIES

This list contains contact and shipping information for charitable organizations which redistribute eyeglasses and hearing aids. This list is not exhaustive nor does it constitute an endorsement of these organizations by NFDA. Funeral homes should feel free to direct donations through other charitable organizations.

HEARING AIDS

Hearing aids in any condition and any model may be mailed to the following Lions organizations:

- (1) Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing
1410 SW Morrison Street, Suite 760
Portland, Oregon 97205
- (2) Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of
Washington and Northern Idaho
901 Boren Avenue, Suite 810
Seattle, WA 98104-3534
- (3) The Virginia Lions Hearing Foundation
P.O. Box 477
Charlottesville, VA 22908
- (4) Western Lions Ear Foundation
1399 Arundell Avenue
Ventura, CA 93003-5025
- (5) Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center
212 Northwest Street
Falls Church, VA 22046
- (6) Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation
3427 North 32nd Street
Phoenix, AZ 85018

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. Send by third or fourth class mail and label the box "no commercial value." Eyeglasses may be sent to:

- (1) Lions in Sight Warehouse
1404 Lemon Street
Vallejo, CA 94590
- (2) Indiana Eyeglass Recycling Center
333 Lake Street
Upland, IN 46989
- (3) Wisconsin Lions Foundation Recycling
3834 County Road A
Rosholt, WI 54473-9355
- (4) Northwest Lions Eyeglass Recycling
9013 Mullen Road SE
Olympia, WA 98513
- (5) Virginia Lions Eyeglass Recycling
501 Elm Street SW
P.O. Box 1772
Roanoke, VA 24008
- (6) Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center
200 Plaza Street
Midland, TX 79701
- (7) New Jersey Lions Eyeglass Recycling
c/o Katzenbach School for the Deaf
320 Sullivan Way
West Trenton, NJ 08628

EYEGLASSES

Both plastic and metal frame eyeglasses may be sent to Lions Club International for recycling. Funeral homes are instructed to remove loose and broken lenses and frames.

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 needed to return the device. The contact information for each manufacturer is as follows:

(1) Medtronic (Vitatron)
(800) 328-2518 Ext. 46223

(3) Guidant Corp.
(800) 227-3422

(2) St. Jude Medical (Ventricex)
(800) 933-9956 or (800) 681-9293

(4) ELA Medical, Inc.
(800) 352-6466

(5) Biotronik, Inc.
(800) 547-0394