

NVLRRA Funeral Arranger License Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 - 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. If remains are not claimed for 2 years with no disposition, what is the agent's responsibility?**
 - A. The agent is responsible for any expenses**
 - B. The facility bears expenses**
 - C. The agent must file a report**
 - D. The law requires another action**

- 2. Is it illegal for anyone to sign an incomplete death certificate?**
 - A. False**
 - B. Depends on jurisdiction**
 - C. Not specified**
 - D. True**

- 3. Who can call for an inspection?**
 - A. A person not a board member**
 - B. A board member**
 - C. The governor**
 - D. A licensed funeral director**

- 4. How long is a crematory certification program valid?**
 - A. 1 year**
 - B. 3 years**
 - C. 5 years**
 - D. 10 years**

- 5. Cremation is defined as:**
 - A. The reduction of a dead human body to inorganic bone fragments by intense heat in a specifically designed retort or chamber.**
 - B. The preservation of the body.**
 - C. Mummification.**
 - D. Natural decomposition.**

- 6. Which of the following is not listed among grounds for disciplinary action?**
- A. Good standing with the board**
 - B. Habitual intemperance**
 - C. Gross incompetency**
 - D. False advertisement**
- 7. Is it legal to require caskets for cremation?**
- A. Yes**
 - B. No**
 - C. Only with special permit**
 - D. Only if embalmed**
- 8. Which option is last in the priority order for authorizing disposition?**
- A. Spouse**
 - B. Grandparent**
 - C. Guardian**
 - D. One who executes an affidavit to accept responsibility**
- 9. Removal of a body to sell, dissect or otherwise malice acts faces a:**
- A. Misdemeanor D penalty.**
 - B. Felony A penalty.**
 - C. Felony D penalty.**
 - D. Civil penalty.**
- 10. How long does an arranger license last?**
- A. 1 year**
 - B. 2 years**
 - C. 3 years**
 - D. 4 years**

Answers

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1. A
2. D
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. A
7. B
8. D
9. C
10. B

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Explanations

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1. If remains are not claimed for 2 years with no disposition, what is the agent's responsibility?

- A. The agent is responsible for any expenses**
- B. The facility bears expenses**
- C. The agent must file a report**
- D. The law requires another action**

The key idea is that the agent bears the financial responsibility for unclaimed remains after a long period without disposition. Since the agent is the party authorized to arrange disposition and manage the remains, any costs that accrue from storage, handling, preservation, and eventual disposition become the agent's obligation once two years pass with no claim or disposition. This prevents indefinite expense from falling on the facility and aligns liability with the party who controls the disposition process. While regulated procedures like reporting or following specific legal steps may also apply, they don't substitute for the agent's duty to cover the incurred expenses in this scenario.

2. Is it illegal for anyone to sign an incomplete death certificate?

- A. False**
- B. Depends on jurisdiction**
- C. Not specified**
- D. True**

Signing a death certificate must be complete and accurate. A certificate is not legally valid if essential fields are missing or incomplete, so the act of signing an incomplete certificate is not permitted. This protects the integrity of vital records and the legal processes that depend on them. In practice, the person who certifies the death (often a physician or medical examiner) is responsible for the cause and manner of death, while others may help with non-medical information. If any required information is missing, you should not sign until those gaps are filled by the appropriate authority. Signing an incomplete certificate can expose you to legal liability and administrative penalties, and it can delay burial arrangements and public health reporting. So the statement is true: it is illegal for anyone to sign an incomplete death certificate.

3. Who can call for an inspection?

- A. A person not a board member**
- B. A board member**
- C. The governor**
- D. A licensed funeral director**

The ability to call for an inspection comes from the regulator's authority being exercised by people who are not on the governing board. Inspections are typically sparked by concerns raised by the public or by individuals who aren't part of the board, ensuring accountability and protection of the public interest. A board member, the governor, or a licensee alone does not automatically trigger an inspection; instead, a request from someone outside the board prompts the regulatory agency to have inspectors review compliance. This structure means that licensed funeral directors, and other members of the public, can initiate inspections by filing a complaint or request with the agency.

4. How long is a crematory certification program valid?

- A. 1 year
- B. 3 years
- C. 5 years**
- D. 10 years

The length of time a crematory certification program stays valid is set to five years to ensure ongoing competency and up-to-date practice. Five-year validity allows professionals to refresh their knowledge on essential safety standards, crematory equipment operation, handling of remains, and environmental and regulatory requirements as these areas can change. Renewal typically involves completing continuing education and possibly a brief recertification process, which helps keep skills current without imposing excessive, ongoing disruptions. Shorter intervals would require frequent renewals and could be burdensome, while longer ones might let outdated practices slip in. That balance explains why five years is the chosen duration.

5. Cremation is defined as:

- A. The reduction of a dead human body to inorganic bone fragments by intense heat in a specifically designed retort or chamber.**
- B. The preservation of the body.
- C. Mummification.
- D. Natural decomposition.

Cremation is the process of reducing a dead human body to inorganic bone fragments by intense heat in a specially designed retort or chamber. The high temperature accelerates combustion and dehydration of soft tissues, leaving mineral bone fragments that are later processed into cremated remains. This distinguishes cremation from preservation methods that aim to keep the body intact, from mummification which uses desiccation for long-term preservation, and from natural decomposition that occurs without controlled conditions.

6. Which of the following is not listed among grounds for disciplinary action?

- A. Good standing with the board**
- B. Habitual intemperance
- C. Gross incompetency
- D. False advertisement

The idea being tested is what counts as grounds for disciplinary action versus a licensure prerequisite. Grounds for disciplinary action are specific misconduct or failures that the board can sanction, such as habitual intemperance (ongoing impairment affecting judgment and safety), gross incompetency (clear lack of necessary skill), and false advertising (deceit or misrepresentation to the public). These actions show professional misconduct or unsafe practice. Being in good standing with the board, on the other hand, describes your current status as meeting requirements and not under sanction. It's not itself a ground for discipline; rather, it indicates you are compliant. So, among the options, the statement about being in good standing is not listed as a ground for disciplinary action.

7. Is it legal to require caskets for cremation?

- A. Yes
- B. No**
- C. Only with special permit
- D. Only if embalmed

In cremation, the body must be placed in a container that is specifically designed to be incinerated, called a cremation container or alternative container. This requirement focuses on safety, reliability, and proper processing in the cremation equipment, not on using a traditional burial casket. Because of that, a funeral provider cannot force families to purchase or use a standard casket for cremation. Families should be offered an acceptable cremation container, and they may even supply their own container as long as it meets the crematory's specifications. Embalming is not a universal prerequisite for cremation, and nothing about cremation regulation obliges a casket, so the rule to require one would not be legal.

8. Which option is last in the priority order for authorizing disposition?

- A. Spouse
- B. Grandparent
- C. Guardian
- D. One who executes an affidavit to accept responsibility**

The main idea here is understanding who has the legal authority to authorize disposition in order of priority. The person who is closest in relationship and legally empowered—typically the surviving spouse—has the highest priority because they most closely reflect the decedent's intimate family ties and responsibilities. Next in line are individuals with a strong legal connection to the decedent, such as designated adult children or other close next of kin, and then a guardian who has been legally appointed to manage the decedent's affairs. A guardian has authority because their role is established by law to oversee the person's or estate's matters when a guardian is needed. The option describing someone who signs an affidavit to accept responsibility sits lowest in priority. An affidavit to accept responsibility is a formal commitment used when no higher-priority parties are available or willing to take charge. It does not confer the same direct, legally recognized right to authorize disposition as a spouse, next of kin, or an appointed guardian. That makes it the last resort in the sequence, which is why it is the correct answer in this context.

9. Removal of a body to sell, dissect or otherwise malice acts faces a:

- A. Misdemeanor D penalty.**
- B. Felony A penalty.**
- C. Felony D penalty.**
- D. Civil penalty.**

Acts involving removing a body for sale, dissection, or malicious purposes are criminal offenses within a jurisdiction's felony-misdemeanor framework. In this system, a Felony D is a lower-tier felony—more serious than a misdemeanor, but not among the most severe felonies. It carries substantial penalties such as imprisonment and fines, with the exact sentence depending on the statute and the offender's history. Civil penalties are not used for criminal desecration of a body, and a higher classification like Felony A would imply a more serious offense than this scenario. So, this act is appropriately punished as a Felony D.

10. How long does an arranger license last?

- A. 1 year**
- B. 2 years**
- C. 3 years**
- D. 4 years**

Licenses are issued for a fixed period and must be renewed to stay valid. For an arranger license, the term is two years, meaning the license stays active for two years after it's issued. Before that period ends, you'd need to apply for renewal to continue practicing legally. Renewal typically involves paying a renewal fee and confirming you still meet any ongoing requirements, such as continuing education or updated qualifications, so you remain current with rules and standards. If you miss renewal, the license may lapse and you'd need to go through the renewal or reinstatement process to resume practice.

Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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