

# GREENE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH Vital Statistics Records Request Instructions

Notice to AllPursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3705.29, it is unlawful to purposely obtain, possess, use, sell, furnish, orVital Statisticsattempt to obtain, possess, use, sell, or furnish to another for the purpose of deception any certificate,<br/>record, or certified copy of it that relates to the birth of another person, whether living or dead.

#### Who Can Order A Record:

Vital records (records of births, deaths, and fetal deaths) are public records in Ohio. This means that anyone who can submit the basic facts of a record may request a copy.

#### Placing An Order:

<u>Walk-in Service</u>: Monday: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Cash, money order, certified bank check or debit and credit cards with an additional service charge accepted in office.

<u>Mail Requests</u>: Please mail a completed and signed <u>Application for Certified Copies</u> and payment (certified bank check or money order only) to the address on the request form.

<u>Online Requests</u>: <u>www.vitalchek.com</u> – Select EVENT CITY (must be born in OH) and GREENE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH as the PROCESSING AGENCY. All major credit cards accepted.

See our website at <u>www.gcph.info</u> or call the health department at (937)-374-5639 for detailed instructions and further explanation of these options.

Please complete one application form for each record or search requested. Please submit your applications with all available identifying information. If you do not have enough information to allow us to identify the certificate, you may request a search be performed rather than requesting a certified copy of the record.

#### **Birth Certificates:**

Please complete the "Record Information" portion of the application with the information as you believe it to be listed on the original birth record. If there have been any changes to the name of the person on the record, also provide the new name. Please identify the parents on the record as "mother", "father", or "parent", and provide their names prior to their first marriage (also known as maiden name). Birth records will be issued as certified abstracts unless you indicate that you are requesting the certified copy for the specific purposes of obtaining dual citizenship, international marriage or legal proceedings, or genealogy.

#### **Death Certificates and Social Security Numbers:**

For the *first five years after the date of death* the social security number of the deceased will not be included on the death certificate unless the requestor is:

- The deceased's spouse, or lineal descendant
- The deceased's executor, attorney, or legal agent
- A representative of an investigative government agency
- A private investigator

- A funeral director (or agent responsible for disposition of the body) acting on behalf of the deceased's family
- A veteran's service officer
- An accredited member of the media

Individuals requesting a death certificate with the social security number included must indicate on their application that they are requesting the SSN be included and submit satisfactory identification to the registrar or clerk. Please contact the health department at (937)-374-5639 for acceptable forms of identification Fees: In accordance with section 3705.24 of the Ohio Revised Code we are required by law to charge a fee for each certified copy of a vital record issued. The fee at this office for each certified copy of a birth, death, or fetal death record is \$24.00 per certified copy.

# GREENE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPIES

**RECORD INFORMATION:** (Information about the person you are requesting the record for)

Full name on bird First			anged since birth, indicate new name: egal name change, paternity, etc.)			
Date of Birth:	and/or Date of Death: Ci	ty and County where event of	ccurred:			
<ul> <li>Father</li> <li>Parent</li> </ul>		□ Father □ Parent	ull Middle Maiden or Last Name			
CHARGES: \$24.00 per certified copy. Make certified bank check or money order payable to:						
GREENE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH.						
Walk-In Service: Cash, Debit or Credit cards, certified bank check or money order only. (Debit/Credit additional service fee)						
Mail Requests: C	certified bank check or money order only.					
Birth:	If you do not need a birth certificate for any o this section. Otherwise please indicate what the 	Number of copies requested: x \$24.00 = \$				
<b>D</b>	All death certificates will be issued <u>without a social security number</u> unless identification is provided confirming you are one of the below listed authorized requestors:					
	The deceased's spouse or descendent					
	□ The deceased's executor, attorney, or legal ag	Number of copies requested:				
	□ A representative of investigative government a					
Death:	□ A private investigator	x \$24.00 = \$				
	<ul> <li>A funeral director (or agent responsible for disposition of the body) acting on behalf of the deceased's family</li> </ul>					
	□ A veteran's service office					
	An accredited member of the media					
	You must attach a copy of your identification showing you are an authorized requestor along with a copy of a valid driver's license.					
Permits:			Number of burial cremation permits requested: x \$3.00=\$			
		Total Amount Due:	\$			

## PURCHASER'S INFORMATION: (Information about the person requesting the record)

Please print clearly as this will be used for your receipt, mailing address, and/or for future contact to complete your record request.

Purchaser's Name:	Phone Number:	
Street Address:	Purchaser's Signature:	
City, State, & ZIP:		

## MAILING ADDRESS

Send completed application with required fee to:

VITAL STATS OFFICE GCPH 360 WILSON DRIVE XENIA, OH 45385



FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:			
Audit Number:	Date:		
State File Number:	Initials of Issuer:		

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