

Labeling deceased bodies infected with a Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 communicable disease

Pursuant to the [Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation](#) of the [Alberta Public Health Act](#), where a person dies with a specified communicable disease, a responsible person (e.g. nursing staff) must ensure as soon as practically possible that there are attached to the body, and to the head end of the container, the following labels, that must not be removed:

For bodies infected with a disease specified in Schedule 1:

A label bearing the following words in prominent legible letters:

This body is infected with a communicable disease specified in Schedule 1 to the Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation and must be handled in accordance with that Regulation. Do not remove this label and do not open the hermetically sealed container.

For bodies infected with a disease specified in Schedule 2:

A label bearing the following words in prominent legible letters:

This body is infected with a communicable disease specified in Schedule 2 to the Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation and must be handled in accordance with that Regulation. Do not remove this label.

For a list of Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 communicable diseases, refer to the [Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation](#).

Ordering Labels:

- Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 communicable disease labels (AHS19794 and AHS19795 respectively) can be ordered through Data Online (DOL).
- Please include these labels in your nursing unit “Death Packages”.
- Sample labels are provided on page 2.



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Schedule 1 – AHS19794

Schedule 1

This body is infected with a communicable disease specified in Schedule 1 to the Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation and must be handled in accordance with that Regulation.

DO NOT Remove this label or open the hermetically sealed container.

Affix patient label here

Check all that apply

- Anthrax
- Rabies
- Plague
- Smallpox
- Yellow Fever
- Viral Hemorrhagic Fever (Ebola, Marburg and Lassa viruses)
- Infectious Pulmonary Tuberculosis
- Suspect, probable or confirmed cases of transmissible spongiform encephalopathies, including classic and variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease

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Schedule 2 – AHS19795

Schedule 2

This body is infected with a communicable disease specified in Schedule 2 to the Bodies of Deceased Persons Regulation and must be handled in accordance with that Regulation.

DO NOT Remove this label.

Affix patient label here

Check all that apply

- Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)
- Hepatitis B
- Hepatitis C
- Human immunodeficiency virus infection (HIV)
- Invasive Group A Streptococcal infection
- Typhus