

PRESS STATEMENT

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RESTRICTIONS ON THE MOVEMENT OF DEAD BODIES FOR BURIAL IN THE COUNTRY

The **Zimbabwe Republic Police** advises the public that the **Ministry of Health and Child Care** has informed the police of immediate restrictions imposed on the movement of dead bodies for burial in the country.

According to health officials, a body will now be buried in the town/city where the death would have taken place. This is being done in order to curtail the spread of the **Covid-19 pandemic**.

In this regard, the Police will only clear body movements for burial straight from a funeral parlour/hospital mortuary to the burial site. No body viewing will be allowed. Bodies will not be taken home.

The public is implored to keep a distance as the body is lowered into the grave by either city health or funeral parlour officials. The grave site will be disinfected before burial.