



## HIGH COMMISSION for SAINT VINCENT and the GRENADINES

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### Transportation of Human Remains to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

The requirements are as follows:

1. If the deceased:
  - a. is to be buried the remains must be in a hermetically sealed impervious coffin. An **embalmmment certificate** must be presented to the relevant officials in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
  - b. has been cremated his/her ashes should be contained in a sealed receptacle. **Permission** will be required if it is the intention that the **ashes are scattered** in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.
2. The following documents will also be required
  - i). An official certificate of the cause of death.
  - ii). A certificate which confirms that the person did not suffer from a contagious disease at time of death.
  - iii). A passport or official Identity Document to show that he/she was a national of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Please note that all documents produced to the Authorities in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines must be originals.

The transshipment point of the deceased will be through another country to transfer to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. We would therefore suggest that the relevant Embassy/High Commission is also contacted for their requirements. In most cases transfer will probably be through Barbados. The Barbados High Commission in London can be contacted on (020 7631 4975).

You would also be required to contact the official in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines who is responsible for entry of human remains since his department requires such information as time of arrival, flight number etc. His name is Michael Bacchus, telephone number +1 784 457 1729 during working hours and his fax number is +1 784 456 1483. After working hours he should be contacted by telephone on +1 784 457 4405. Mr Bacchus will also advise on any charges.