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Foreword

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1 Scope

GB/T 46853-2025 is the Chinese national standard covering a funeral service facing a mass casualty event - the surge capacity for storage and cremation, the identification and record keeping, the infection control where the deaths were from disease, the family liaison and the staff support. It is a standard written from experience nobody wanted. First edition, under the Ministry of Civil Affairs. It was issued on 31 December 2025 and has been in force since 1 April 2026, as a first edition. The document is under the responsibility of the Ministry of Civil Affairs. This page is published from the official record of the 2025 edition; the clause text of a standard this recent is not yet in circulation, and the figures, limits and tables it contains are those of the document itself, delivered in full with the English translation.

This document provides an assessment of the emergency response capabilities and contingency plans for funeral service providers, as well as information on funeral services, grief counseling, and safety management. Guidance and suggestions on aspects such as... This document applies to the follow-up work undertaken by funeral service providers after an emergency occurs within their service area.

2 Normative references

The contents of the following documents, through normative references within the text, constitute essential provisions of this document. Dated citations are not included. For references to documents, only the version corresponding to that date applies to this document; for undated references, the latest version (including all amendments) applies. This document.

GB/T 26374 Reception of Remains Services

GB/T 29639 Guidelines for the Preparation of Emergency Response Plans for Production Safety Accidents in Production and Business Units

GB/T 37228 Safety and Resilience Emergency Management - Guidelines for Emergency Management

GB/T 44667 Disposal of remains in major natural disasters and accidents AQ/T 9011

Guidelines for the Evaluation of Emergency Response Plans for Production Safety
Accidents in Production and Business Entities MZ/T 019 Body Preservation Service MZ/T
020 Farewell Service MZ/T 021 Cremation Services MZ/T 103 Technical Specifications for
Disinfection of Funeral Homes MZ/T 136 Technical Specifications for Corpse Cosmetology
MZ/T 139 Operating Procedures for Embalming Corpses MZ/T 145 Standard for Business
File Management of Funeral Service Institutions MZ/T 221 Grief Counseling Services

3 Terms and Definitions

The following terms and definitions apply to this document.

3.1 Unexpected incident Natural disasters, accidents, public health emergencies, and social security incidents that occur suddenly, cause or may cause harm, and require emergency response measures. All events, etc.

3.2 Organization of the handling of the remains of the victims and related follow-up matters.