



# LUBBOCK COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

**Charles Addington, D.O.**  
Chief Administrative Medical Examiner

## **Body Hold Policy**

Effective February 1, 2022, all parties who wish to utilize the Lubbock County Medical Examiner's Office (LCME) for body hold storage only will need to adhere to the following guidelines.

1. The Lubbock County Medical Examiner's Office will hold remains as requested for up to five (5) days. Day 1 being the day of intake, weekends and holidays are included in the day count.
2. The party who has requested LCME to hold remains are responsible for coordinating the disposition of the remains with the appropriate party, whether that be with the legal next of kin, funeral home, etc. LCME will only be responsible for holding the remains and ensuring the Release of Remains form is completed correctly.
3. If the remains are still at the LCME on day six (6), a fee of \$75 per day, until the remains are released, will start to incur; that daily amount will be billable to the requesting party (hospital, hospice, family members, etc.) for payment to LCME.

Approved by the Lubbock County Commissioners Court on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

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Curtis Parrish  
Lubbock County Judge

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Terence Kovar, Precinct 1

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Jason Corley, Precinct 2

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Gilbert A. Flores, Precinct 3

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Chad Seay, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

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Kelly Pinion,  
Lubbock County Clerk