

Deaths

Ring either SOS Alarm (112), your primary health care centre or the emergency medical centre if an individual dies whilst at home or in a public place. The body needs to be examined by a doctor in order to complete the death certificate and to establish the cause of death. The same guidelines apply to both the Kronoberg County Council and the Kronoberg Police Authority.

If the death takes place at a hospital or other health care facility there are always staff on hand who can help you with any questions you may have. You are also be allowed to pay your last respects. After a couple of hours the body will be transported to the morgue and both our county hospitals have chapels.

Autopsies

Autopsies may be necessary in some cases in order to establish the cause of death. In some cases an autopsy may be needed to discover how the disease progressed and to be able to answer questions from relatives or the doctor concerned. The doctor will always discuss this with relatives prior to the autopsy and this is strictly regulated by Swedish laws and legislation.

Funerals and transport of deceased persons

Once a death has been confirmed by the doctor outside of the hospital or when the patient dies whilst at a health care facility the family members usually contact a funeral director. Health care staff can answer any questions. The funeral director takes care of transport and also advice and tips regarding the funeral. They can also provide you with advice if the death occurred whilst visiting another country or if the deceased is to be transported to another country.