

1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (ES)

Certificado de Profesionalidad de nivel 3 en
SANP0108 TANATOPRAXIA

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)

Professional Certificate Level 3 in
SANP0108 THANATOPRAXIE
(This translation has no legal status)

3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

The holder of this certificate will have acquired the **general competence** to develop and apply methods for cleaning, temporary preservation, embalming using specific biocides, restoration, reconstruction and cosmetic preparation of bodies for presentation, in accordance with hygiene & health and mortuary health regulations; and to carry out any extractions that may be formally requested, while respecting the different religious rites, and using the techniques and interpersonal skills needed to provide mortuary services. This general competence is divided into the following **skills units** (UC):

- Apply temporary preservation or embalming techniques to bodies using biocides (UC1605_3).
- Carry out restoration and reconstruction work on bodies (UC1606_3).
- Apply cosmetic techniques for the presentation or display of bodies (UC1607_2).
- Extract tissue, prostheses, pacemakers and other contaminating devices from bodies (UC1608_3).
- Use the techniques and interpersonal skills needed to provide mortuary services (UC1609_3).

The professional skills are acquired through the **learning outcomes** defined within the related Training Modules (MF):

- Temporary preservation and embalming of bodies (MF1605_3).
- Restoration and reconstruction of bodies (MF1606_3).
- Post-mortem cosmetic restoration (MF1607_2).
- Extraction of tissue, prostheses, pacemakers and other contaminating devices from bodies (MF1608_3).
- Use of the techniques and interpersonal skills needed in the provision of mortuary services (MF1609_3).
- Practical training at the workplace in Thanatopraxie (MP0103)

(See legal basis for all learning outcomes information acquired by the holder of this Certificate in each MF).

As a reference the learning outcomes include in the Practical training at the workplace that complete and reinforce the learning outcomes acquired in the other training modules, are:

- Check the state of the body on arrival and the documentation accompanying it, verifying information on identity and the cause and circumstances of death, as well as the work that must be carried out and the mortician's report.
- Prepare the body, mortuary room and equipment, as defined in the working procedures for the application of the different techniques.
- Carry out the process of preservation and embalming of bodies not affected by trauma through the arteries in accordance with established protocols.
- Carry out the processes of preservation and embalming of bodies that have been affected by trauma and prevent their deterioration in accordance with established protocols.
- Carry out the process of preservation of bodies that have been burnt or are in an advanced stage of decomposition, where use cannot be made of the arteries, to prevent odours and make their transfer to another city possible following a legal decision or pursuant to the law.
- Apply techniques to restore damaged areas and/or the lack of anatomical parts, using any excess tissue that the body may have, depending on the wounds or alterations involved.
- Apply cosmetic techniques for the presentation of the body.
- Carry out the enucleation of the eyeball and extraction of samples for DNA analysis, preparing them for their submission to the laboratory or body requesting them.
- Remove pacemakers, osteosynthesis material, intramedullary nails or other elements, in accordance with established procedure.
- Take part in the company's working processes, following the rules and instructions established at the workplace.

4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THIS CERTIFICATE

The holder of this certificate may work in the funerary sector: funeral parlours and mortuaries; in the health and forensic medicine sector and health centres; anatomical and forensic centres; homes and residences for the elderly; tissue and organ donor banks and research centres.

The most pertinent occupations and positions are:

- Mortician.
- Mortuary makeup artist.
- Embalmer.
- Funeral services coordinator.

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate

The Ministry of Employment and Social Security or the corresponding autonomous regional administration within the scope of its competence, in the name of the King. The certificate is valid throughout Spain.

Level of the certificate

The Professional Certificate Level 3 of the National Repertoire of Professional Certificates corresponds to level 4 of the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED-P 2011).

The European Qualification Framework (EQF) level:

Grading scale/Pass requirements

The grading scale and pass level of the training modules are expressed on a scale of 0 to 10. The minimum score for a pass is 5 in every training module including a pass in the practical training at the workplace module.

The grading system is as follows:

- FAIL: 0 to 4.9
- PASS-SATISFACTORY: 5 to 6.9
- PASS-GOOD: 7 to 8.9
- PASS-EXCELLENT: 9 to 10

Access to next level of education/training

This Professional Certificate Level 3 gives access to Professional Certificate Level 3 within the same professional area and family.

For validation purposes, the educational authorities will recognise the professional module or modules of the VET diplomas corresponding to the skills units included in the training modules of this certificate.

Legal basis

Royal Decree 1535/2011 of 31 October, establishing a professional certificate in the professional family Health, which is included in the National Repertoire of Professional Certificates. (SINGLE Appendix, Code: SANP0108)

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

This certificate may be acquired by:

1. Training: Completion with a pass grade of the face-to-face or online training programme.
2. Recognition of the professional skills acquired through professional experience or non-formal training (prior learning): Completion of a process of skills evaluation and accreditation in all the skills units making up the professional certificate.
3. Dual training: Completion of a training and apprenticeship contract, which may range from 1 year (or 6

months, if stipulated as such in the collective agreement) to 3 years, during which effective working time is combined with time dedicated to training under the training programme for the professional certificate.

The training method (number 1 above) requires successful completion of the training modules and the practical training at the workplace:

Description of vocational training received	Percentage of total programme (%)	Duration (hours)
Training modules	69	360
Practical training at the workplace	31	160
Total duration of training leading to the certificate		520

Entry/access requirements:

- *Bachiller* (upper secondary education) diploma; or
- Professional Certificate Level 2 in the same professional area.
- If neither of the above or higher certifications are held, a pass in the key skills tests.

Additional information: Professional certificates are instruments for official accreditation of the professional qualifications in the National Catalogue of Professional Qualifications for all economic activities, within the scope of the labour administration. The National Repertoire of Professional Certificates is divided into three qualification levels (Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3), and by sectors into 26 professional families and 102 professional areas. More information is available at: www.sepe.es

National Europass Centre: www.oapee.es

(*) **Explanatory note:** This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate, but has no legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications; Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates; and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

More information is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.eu.int>

Information on Professional Certificates of the Map of Qualifications and Vocational Training in Spain

