



## TRAVELING WITH CREMATED REMAINS

Many travelers carrying an urn with cremated remains are understandably hesitant to transport them in checked baggage. We recommend using a temporary cremation container made of materials that can be successfully x-rayed. Those made of materials like wood, plastic, or non-lead lined ceramic allow excellent viewing on x-ray screens. After transport, the contents may be transferred to a permanent metal or lead-lined urn.

### U.S. Department of Homeland Security

#### *Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Procedures*

All urns or containers holding cremated remains **MUST** pass through the security checkpoint x-ray machines.

If the container is made of a material that causes the image on the x-ray machine to appear opaque and prevents the x-ray screener from being able to see what is inside, the container will **NOT** be allowed through the checkpoint, meaning it cannot be carried onto the plane.

Urn and containers that appear opaque on the x-ray may be transported as checked baggage on the belly of the plane as long as they clear explosive detection screening.

Under no circumstances will a TSA screener or other employee open the container at any time, even if it is requested by the passenger.

*For more information about transportation of cremated remains or assistance with an appropriate container, please contact us.*



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