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Comment #	Text Line # (s)	Document Section	Type of Comment	Current Document Wording	Proposed Revision	Revision Justification	For Working Group and Consensus Body use only, not to be completed by commenter.
			E-Editorial T-Technical				Final Resolution
1	238	8.2.6	T	Charred documents shall be transported in-person to the laboratory rather than mailed or 238 shipped to protect the documents from being further damage	We originally commented on this during open comment and said it needs to be a should not a shall and that was rejected. We feel strongly this is NOT possible for everyone.	Best practice is defined as a SHOULD. Shall is a requirement. If you are processing scenes as a federal agent, you cannot transport in person (lab is in VA). You have to ship it. We have other members who work for state labs that would also not be able to drive to transport in person. Please reconsider.	Reject with modification. Language was added to be more clear on steps to take when in-person delivery is not possible. CB members felt strongly about leaving the shall in the statement since charred documents risk complete destruction through mail delivery.
2			Ballot Comment	One comment from my agency was asking what a document conservator was. WG may have to consider defining that term, used in section 4.4.11			Accept.
3			Ballot Comment	Does this document have the same applicability issue that was raised on our other documents in relation to death investigators? Should the applicability issue be resolved before we approve this document for publication?			Accept. Added language similar to language being added to Std 195 regarding specialty scene investigators