

Skeletonization

Skeletonization refers to one of the final stages of decomposition, during which time the last vestiges of the [soft tissues](#) of a corpse or carcass have decayed or dried to the point that the bones of the skeleton are exposed. By the end of the skeletonization process, all soft tissue will have been eliminated, leaving only disarticulated bones.

Skeletonization refers to the process of removing or clearing the soft tissues that surround a bone, typically during a surgical procedure. It involves carefully dissecting and removing the muscles, tendons, ligaments, and other connective tissues that cover the bone, exposing the underlying skeletal structure. This technique allows for better access to the bone and surrounding structures, facilitating procedures such as joint replacements, fracture repairs, or spinal surgeries. Skeletonization helps surgeons visualize and manipulate the bone more effectively during the surgical intervention.

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