

REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENSE

1. A male and female shall appear together before the County Clerk, if one of the applicants is unable to appear, an ABSENT APPLICANT form may be requested.
2. Each applicant shall submit proof of identity and age

For example: (a) Certified copy of birth certificate (If person is over 18, an additional form of ID must be presented along with a certified copy of the birth certificate. For those under 18, the only proof of ID and age that can be used is a certified copy of birth certificate.)

- (b) Unexpired driver's license with correct name and date of birth
- (c) Any Document issued by this state, another state, the United States or a foreign government (license, passport, etc.)

3. If an applicant is under 18 years of age, he/she must have parental consent. If parents are divorced, a court document is required showing custody, managing conservator or legal guardianship, of documents establishing that a prior marriage has been dissolved.
4. Each applicant must submit their Social Security number.
5. Neither party can have been divorced within the previous 30 days.
6. Applicants cannot be related to each other as an ancestor of descendant, by blood or adoption, a brother or sister, of the whole or half blood or by adoption; a parent's brother or sister of the whole or half blood or by adoption; a son or daughter of a brother or sister of the whole blood or by adoption.
7. The fee for the license is \$37.00.
8. No blood test is required.

THE MARRIAGE LICENSE EXPIRES AT THE END OF THE 30-DAY PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DATE THE LICENSE IS ISSUED, IF THE CEREMONY HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED WITHIN THAT PERIOD.

THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY MAY NOT TAKE PLACE DURING A 72-HOUR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ISSUANCE OF THE LICENSE UNLESS AN APPLICANT IS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES AND IS ON ACTIVE DUTY OR AN APPLICANT OBTAINS A WRITTEN WAIVER FROM A JUDGE OF A DISTRICT COURT OR A STATUTORY COUNTY COURT GRANTED JURISDICTION IN FAMILY LAW CASES, A JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OR A JUDGE OF THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OR COURT OF APPEALS.

LICENSES ISSUED: 8:00 – 5:00

TELEPHONE #: (903) 438-4074

PLEASE ALLOW APPROXIMATELY 25 MINUTES FOR ISSUANCE OF THE LICENSE