



Applying for a Marriage/ Civil Union License in New Jersey

Requirements for entering into a Marriage:

For two persons to establish a Marriage/ Civil Union in this State, it shall be necessary that they satisfy all of the following criteria:

- ✓ Not be a party to another civil union, domestic partnership or marriage in this State or recognized by this State; and
- ✓ Be of the same sex for civil union; marriages can be same or opposite sex couples.
- ✓ Be at least 18 years of age.

Where to apply:

The marriage/civil union license application is to be made in the New Jersey municipality in which either party resides and the license is valid throughout the State of New Jersey. If neither applicant is a New Jersey resident, submit the application in the municipality where the marriage/civil union ceremony will be performed, the license is only valid in the issuing municipality.

Please contact the [Local Registrar](#) to determine if license applications are handled during business hours or by appointment.

Required documents when applying for a Marriage/ Civil Union license:

- ✓ Proof of identity such as your driver's license, passport or state/federal I.D.
- ✓ Proof of your residency.
- ✓ Your social security card or social security number.*
- ✓ A witness, 18 years of age or older.
- ✓ The \$28 application fee.

*Social security number is required by law for US citizens and will be kept confidential.

Any documents in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified English translation.

After you apply:

- ✓ There is a 72-hour waiting period before the license is issued. The waiting period begins when the application is filed with the Local Registrar. There is no 72 hour waiting period for a Remarriage/Reaffirmation of Civil Union; however, you must bring a certified copy of your existing Marriage/Civil Union certificate.
- ✓ The marriage/civil union license application is valid for six months from the date accepted, unless the Registrar has given prior approval to extend the validity of the application to a maximum of one year.
- ✓ Once issued, the license is valid 30 days from the date of issuance.
- ✓ Certified copies can only be obtained from the municipality where the event occurred OR the state office via in person, online, or mail in request.



Solicitar una Licencia Matrimonial/ Unión Civil en NJ

Requisitos para establecer un Matrimonio/ Unión Civil:

Para que dos personas puedan establecer un Matrimonio/Unión Civil en este estado, deben satisfacer los siguientes requisitos:

- ✓ No pertenecer a otra unión civil, sociedad doméstica o matrimonio en este estado o que es reconocida en este estado;
- ✓ Ser del mismo sexo para una unión civil, matrimonios pueden ser del mismo sexo o del sexo opuestos ;
- ✓ Tener por los menos 18 años de edad.

Donde Solicitar:

La solicitud para la licencia de Matrimonio/Unión Civil debe ser presentada en la municipalidad de New Jersey en la cual reside uno de los solicitantes y esta es válida en todo el estado de New Jersey. Si ninguno de los aplicantes es residente de New Jersey, debe presentar la solicitud en la municipalidad donde se realizará la ceremonia matrimonial ó unión civil, esta licencia será válida **sólo** en esta municipalidad.

Por favor contactar a la oficina local para asegurarse de que esta oficina procece estas solicitudes durante horario de operaciones o por cita

Documentos requeridos para solicitar una licencia para Matrimonio/Unión Civil:

- ✓ Prueba de identidad: licencia de conducir, pasaporte o identificación federal/estatal.
- ✓ Prueba de domicilio.
- ✓ Tarjeta de seguro social o número de seguro social.*
- ✓ Testigo mayor de 18 años
- ✓ Tarifa por solicitud \$28.

*El número de seguro social es un requisito legal para los ciudadanos americanos y es confidencial.

Documentos internacionales deben ser acompañados por una traducción en inglés certificada.

Después de Solicitar:

- ✓ Existe un tiempo de espera de 72-horas antes de poder emitir la licencia matrimonial. El tiempo de espera comienza al registrarse la solicitud en la Oficina Local de Registros Civiles. No existe tiempo de espera para Re-matrimonios/Uniones Civiles; pero debe proveer una copia de su acta matrimonial/unión civil.
- ✓ La solicitud para la Licencia de Matrimonio/Unión Civil es válida por seis meses desde la fecha en que fue aceptada, al menos que el Oficial de Registros Civiles haya previamente autorizado extender su validez por el máximo de un año.
- ✓ La licencia es valida 30 das desde la fecha de solicitud.
- ✓ Copias certificada del acta de matrimonio solo puede ser solicitada por el municipalidad donde ocurrió el evento o or la oficina estatal, en persona, por internet, o por correo.

**New Jersey Department of Health
APPLICATION FOR LICENSE**

MARRIAGE REMARRIAGE CIVIL UNION REAFFIRMATION OF CIVIL UNION

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT A <i>(Giving false information constitutes perjury.)</i>				DECLARATION OF APPLICANT B <i>(Giving false information constitutes perjury.)</i>			
1. Name (First, Middle, Last) <i>(List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name)</i>				1. Name (First, Middle, Last) <i>(List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name)</i>			
Street Address (Current Legal Residence) (See Note 1)			County	Street Address (Current Legal Residence) (See Note 1)			County
Municipality of Residence (See Note 4)		State	Zip Code	Municipality of Residence (See Note 4)		State	Zip Code
1a. Current Name (if different)			2. Date of Birth	1a. Current Name (if different)			2. Date of Birth
3. Birthplace		4. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	5. Age(See Note 2)	3. Birthplace		4. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	5. Age(See Note 2)
6. Domestic Status (at this time) (See Notes 3 and 5)				6. Domestic Status (at this time) (See Notes 3 and 5)			
		Date	Place			Date	Place
<input type="checkbox"/> Single		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Single		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Divorced		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorced		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Annulled		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Annulled		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Current Domestic Partner		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Domestic Partner		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Former Domestic Partner		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Former Domestic Partner		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Current Civil Union Partner		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Civil Union Partner		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Former Civil Union Partner		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Former Civil Union Partner		_____	_____
For Remarriage to the same spouse, or Reaffirmation of Civil Union to the same partner, enter date and place of original ceremony:				For Remarriage to the same spouse, or Reaffirmation of Civil Union to the same partner, enter date and place of original ceremony:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage		Date	Place	<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage		Date	Place
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Union		_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Union		_____	_____
7a. Enter number of times ever Married (if applicable):		7b. Name of Most Recent Spouse (if any) (List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name):		7a. Enter number of times ever Married (if applicable):		7b. Name of Most Recent Spouse (if any) (List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name):	
8a. Enter number of times ever in a Civil Union (if applicable):		8b. Name of Most Recent Civil Union Partner (if any) (List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name):		8a. Enter number of times ever in a Civil Union (if applicable):		8b. Name of Most Recent Civil Union Partner (if any) (List name given at birth or on birth certificate/Maiden name):	
9a. Parent's Full Name at Birth			9b. Birthplace	9a. Parent's Full Name at Birth			9b. Birthplace
10a. Parent's Full Name at Birth			10b. Birthplace	10a. Parent's Full Name at Birth			10b. Birthplace
11. Are you related to Applicant B? If "YES," how? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				11. Are you related to Applicant A? If "YES," how? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY EITHER APPLICANT							
12. In which Incorporated Municipality in New Jersey do you intend for the ceremony to be performed? (See Note 4)				13. Intended Date of Ceremony		14. Telephone Number where either applicant can now be reached:	
15. Name and mailing address of person who is to perform the ceremony:				16. Mailing Address where you may be reached after the ceremony:			

(See Notes on Page 2)

Continue with Declaration of Identifying Witness and Oath.

DECLARATION OF IDENTIFYING WITNESS

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- 1. Name (First, Middle, Last):
Mailing Address (Street/PO Box):
City: State: Zip Code:
2. Have the applicants correctly stated their ages and usual residences?
3. Did the applicants make you aware of any legal impediment to their marriage / remarriage / civil union / reaffirmation of civil union?
If "Yes," explain:

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANTS AND IDENTIFYING WITNESS

NOTE TO REGISTRAR - Applicants and witness should be told that taking a false oath constitutes perjury, which is punishable by a maximum fine of \$7,500.00.

We, who have hereunder signed our names, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that we are not currently ruled mentally incompetent; the answers given by us in this application for a marriage, remarriage, civil union, or reaffirmation of civil union license are true, full and perfect answers to each and all of said questions.

Signature of Applicant A: Date:
Signature of Applicant B: Date:
Signature of Witness: Date:
Second Signature of Witness (if necessary): Date:

Sworn (or affirmed) and subscribed before me at
this day of , 20 at AM PM

Signature of Registrar:

REGISTRAR - DO NOT insert place and date of ceremony or file the application until either the completed certificate or copy thereof is sent to you. Follow-up on all licenses for completion.

License Number: Date of Issue:
Ceremony Performed in (City, Borough, Twp.):
Date of Ceremony:

- NOTE 1. This is the permanent home and principal establishment to which, when absent, the applicant intends to return.
NOTE 2. Both applicants must be a minimum of 18 years of age at the time of application.
NOTE 3. When a remarriage or reaffirmation of civil union license is requested, indicate in Question 6 that the parties are already married or joined in a civil union.

- NOTE 4. Municipality of residence is the municipality where applicant physically resides, not the mailing address.
NOTE 5. The Registrar's review of a divorce decree, dissolution of Civil Union, or termination of Domestic Partnership, submitted with this application, in no way implies the validity of the submitted document.

APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS (N. J. S. 37:1-17)

Social Security Number of Applicant A
Social Security Number of Applicant B

Social Security Numbers shall be kept confidential and may only be released for child support purposes and this document shall not be considered a public record pursuant to P. L. 1963, C.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.).