

Marriage Licenses

By appointment only

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Must wear mask when entering courthouse

Marriage License Applications are accepted Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. For your convenience, you may now submit your application securely online to avoid a sometimes lengthy wait. However, within two (2) weeks of submitting your application online, both parties must appear before a probate clerk to finalize and sign the Marriage License Application.

****NOTE: We Do Not Do Marriage Ceremonies****

[Click here to submit your Marriage Application Online](#)

FEES

Application Type	Fees
Individuals who Did Not Complete Premarital Counseling	\$76.00
Individuals Who Completed Premarital Counseling	\$36.00
Extra Certified Copies	\$10.00 each

We accept cash, check or money order and now accepts Visa and MasterCard as payment, please be aware that a service charge will apply.



COUNTY OF ISSUANCE:

If one of the parties is a resident of Georgia, the license can be issued in any county. If neither party is a resident of Georgia, the license must be issued in the county in which the marriage ceremony is to be performed.

REQUIREMENTS:

Both parties to the marriage must be present before the clerk at the same time with picture ID, when applying for the marriage license and must be prepared to prove their ages. Applicants for a marriage license shall, at the time of applying, furnish the clerk with one of the following documents (which includes each applicant's full name and birth dates) to prove his or her ages:

Birth Certificate;		Alien Papers;
Driver's License;		Citizenship Papers;
Baptismal Certificate;		Armed Forces Discharge Papers;
Certificate of Birth Registration;		Armed Forces Identification Card;
Selective Service Card;		Hospital Admission Card;
Court Record;		Affidavit(available only to applicants
Passport;		appearing to the Judge to be at least
Immigration Papers;		25 year's of age or older).

Parties to the marriage must also be prepared to provide a copy of his and/or her final divorce decree, if applicable. If a party or both parties to the marriage were previously married and divorced, he and/or she must provide a copy of the final divorce decree showing the signature of the Judge signing the decree and the date said divorce was granted at the time of applying for the marriage license.

Ga. Code § 19-3-2

WHO MAY CONTRACT MARRIAGE

(a) To be able to contract marriage, a person must:

- (1) Be of sound mind;
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, be at least 18 years of age;
- (3) Have no living spouse of a previous undissolved marriage. The dissolution of a previous marriage in divorce proceedings must be affirmatively established and will not be presumed. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect the legitimacy of children; and
- (4) Not be related to the prospective spouse by blood or marriage within the prohibited degrees.

(b) If either applicant for marriage is 17 years of age, documentary proof that such applicant was emancipated by operation of law or pursuant to a petition filed with the court as provided in Article 10 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 shall be required before a license may be issued pursuant to Article 2 of this chapter; provided, in addition, that:

- (1) If the emancipation was pursuant to a petition filed with the court, a certified copy of the order providing for the emancipation shall be provided as documentary proof;
- (2) At least 15 days shall have passed since such emancipation shall have occurred by operation of law or pursuant to a petition filed with the court;
- (3) The older party to the marriage contract shall not be more than four years older than the younger party to the marriage contract; and
- (4) Each party to the marriage contract who is 17 years of age shall present a certificate of completion of premarital education as provided under Code Section 19-3-30.1.

(c) No license provided for under Article 2 of this chapter shall be issued for the marriage of any party who is under 17 years of age.

If you and your spouse-to-be have had at least 6 hours of premarital education or counseling, you are eligible to purchase a marriage license at the reduced price of \$36.00. To receive the reduced price, complete the **State Certification Form** regarding your premarital education or counseling and present it to the clerk when you apply for your marriage license. Please note the clerk cannot provide the county discount without a completed **State Certification Form**, Parties seeking a marriage license should be prepared to supply information to the following types of questions:

Full Name

Residential Address (including the County)

Phone Number

Age

Date of Birth

Race

Birthplace (City or County and State)

Relationship of parties, if any

Designated Surname

Number of prior marriages

If prior marriage(s), how was/were the marriage(s) dissolved?

Have you been divorced? If so, you will need to bring a copy of your most recent divorce decree with the Judge's signature.

When and where did the marriage(s) occur?

Father's Name

Father's Birthplace (City or County and State)

Mother's Maiden Name

Mother's Birthplace (City or County and State)

Date and Place of your contemplated marriage (City or County and State)

Social Security Numbers

Have you together, completed a premarital education course pursuant to O.C.G.A. 19-3-30.1?

If you have completed a premarital educational course, do you have the proper form, completed and notarized to submit?