## Florida Marriage License Information

Florida Marriage Licenses are issued to both Florida residents and non-residents. Marriage license requirements include age of applicants must be at least 18 years old and the couple must appear in person to obtain a license. A picture I.D. with the date of birth must be provided (driver's license, passport).

Florida Marriage Licenses are issued immediately and must be used within sixty (60) days from the "effective date." For residents of Florida, there is a three day waiting period. There is no waiting period for out of state residents.

Florida Marriage Licenses may be obtained Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m., excluding legal holidays. Licenses may be obtained from any Florida County Administration Office.

Florida residents may waive the three day waiting period by choosing to attend a premarital class and presenting a certification of attendance to the marriage clerk at the time of application.

If only one of the couple is a Florida resident and the Florida resident takes the course, there is no waiting period.

If either party was married before, a copy of the final judgment of the divorce or death certificate is required.

A Marriage license costs \$88.50 (cash only). The only exception is for Florida residents that have provided proof of a premarital class.

Their fee is reduced to \$56.00.



## Georgia Marriage License Information

In most circumstances you may apply for a marriage license at any GA county clerk office where you plan to be married. These offices are usually located in the county probate court or circuit court. This document outlines the procedures you must follow to obtain your license.

**Cost of License** 

What is the cost of a marriage license?

The marriage license fee is \$26.00 to \$30.00 dollars. Marriage license fees may vary from county to county.

**Residency Requirements** 

What are the residency requirments for Georgia?

If both partners are residents you may obtain your license from a Town Clerk of your residence. If only one of you is a resident go to the Town Clerk of that resident. In either circumstance, your license will be valid statewide. If neither partner are residents you must apply for your license in the county where the marriage will take place. Waiting Period

Is there a waiting period from the application date to the date the license is issued?

No, you will receive your license immediately.

Is there a waiting period from the date the license is issued to the date I am allowed to marry?

No, you can marry immediately after receiving your license.

Age Requirement

What is the minimum age a man or woman may marry?

You must be 18 years old or older to marry without parental consent. A birth certificate may be necessary to show proof of age.

What if one or both of us is younger than 18?

If either partner is under 18, parental consent forms must be signed. You will need a certified copy of your birth certificate. If you are under 16 you can not marry without a court order. A minor who is pregnant does not need parental consent as long as the pregnancy is verified in a written statement by a licensed physician.

**Blood Tests and Physical Exams** 

Are blood tests and physical exams required?

No. Blood test and physical exams are no longer required.

**License Expires** 

How long does a marriage license remain valid once it's been issued?

Your marriage license will never expire once it's been issued.

**Divorced and Widowed Applicants** 

What if one or both partners have been divorced or have had a spouse die?

If previously married, the date of divorce or date of spouse's death must be provided. If the divorce or spouse's death had taken place within the last 6 months, bring a certified copy of the divorce decree or death certificate. A copy can be obtained from thr county probate courts office.

**Obtain Vital Records** 

Where can I obtain a certified copy of a marriage, divorce, or death certificate? Certified copies of marriage, divorce, or death records can be obtained from the county probate court office.

**Miscellaneous Questions** 

Are proxy marriages legal?

No, marriage by proxy is not allowed.

Are cousin marriages legal?

Yes, cousin marriages are allowed.

Are common law marriages legal?

Yes, common-law marriages are allowed.

Are same sex marriages legal?

No, same-sex marriages are not allowed.

Please contact A Vow To Remember for a list of the county offices and phone numbers where you can obtain your marriage license.