



INFORMATION REQUIRED

APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

Due to new laws regarding marriages in WV, effective June 9, 2023:

- A valid social security number must be provided **before** a marriage license may be obtained. This requirement is mandated by the WV Vital Statistics Office.
 - Persons under 16 years of age **cannot** get married.
 - Anyone who is at least 16 but less than 18, may **not** obtain a marriage license IF future spouse is over 4 years older.
 - Anyone who is at least 16 but less than 18, may not obtain a marriage license without written consent of both the minor and parents. There is a 3-day waiting period before the license may be issued.
1. Anticipated date of marriage (License good for 60 days)
 2. If WV residents – may apply in any county
 3. If non-residents of WV - may apply in any county.
 4. Names of parents
 5. Mother's maiden names
 6. Bride and groom's birthplaces
 7. Social Security number for bride and groom
 8. Parents birthplaces

9. **Number of previous marriages (ended in death or divorce?)**
 - A) **Date of death**
 - B) **Final date of divorce**

10. **Form of identification – *Proof of Age*: Drivers License, Voter Registration Card, Birth Certificate (original or certified copy)**

11. **Form of identification - *Residency*: Social Security number or if a legal alien in the US, a tourist or visitor visa number**

(Reference §48-2-106 and §48-2-101 respectively)

MARRIAGE LICENSE FEE IS \$57.00 WITHOUT COUNSELING MARRIAGE LICENSE FEE IS \$37.00 WITH COUNSELING. MUST SHOW PROOF ON COUNSELING FROM QUALIFIED COUNSELOR

OUR OFFICE ACCEPTS CASH, CHECK, DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS. IF PAYING BY CHECK, MAKE PAYABLE TO: HARDY COUNTY CLERK.

****MARRIAGE LICENSE NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO OUR OFFICE FOR ISSUANCE OF MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE BY THE SIXTH DAY OF THE NEXT MONTH THAT FOLLOWS THE CEREMONY.****

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