



INFORMATION - MARRIAGE LICENCES

- COST:** \$140.00 – CASH, VISA, MASTER CARD OR DEBIT CARD
- WAITING PERIOD:** There is **NO WAITING PERIOD**. The licence is valid immediately once issued.
- You have **3 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE** in which to have the marriage performed before the licence expires. Should you pass the 3 month period, another licence must be purchased. No refunds can be provided for marriage licences once issued.
- ISSUING HOURS:** 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM - Monday through Friday
- PREVIOUS MARRIAGE:** Divorced: If the divorce has taken place in Canada, the **ORIGINAL** or **CERTIFIED COPY** of the Decree Absolute or Certificate of Divorce must be produced.
- Divorce Outside Canada - Registrar General authorization is required. This can take several weeks to obtain. Contact the City Clerk's Office for details.
- Widow(er): No verification of previous marriage required.
- IDENTIFICATION:** Either partner can submit the marriage application form in person. The form must be signed by both parties and presented with two pieces of original valid identification for both parties. Copies will not be accepted. If any of your identification is in a language other than English or French, you must present it with an official translation of the document. One piece of photo identification is required.
- The identification accepted is:
- Birth Certificate
 - Valid Passport
 - Valid Driver's licence
 - Canadian citizenship card
 - Canadian Government refugee travel document
 - Conditional release identification card
 - United States green card
 - Native status card
 - Record of immigration landing
 - Permanent Residency Card
 - Citizenship card from any country
 - Ontario photo card
- AGE RESTRICTIONS:** Both partners must be 18 years of age or older.
- 16 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE:** Parental consent must be obtained prior to the issuance of the marriage licence. Contact the City Clerk's Office for additional information. Proof of age must also be provided.
- CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCY** There are no citizenship or residency requirements

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENCE, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, BRANTFORD -- 519-759-4150.