

Please read the following prior to completing the Marriage License Application form

AGE: You must be 18 years of age to apply for a marriage license on your own behalf. If you are 17 years of age, you can acquire a license with a signed and notarized "Certificate of Consent" form signed by your parents or legal guardians.

PROPER IDENTIFICATION: One of the following forms of identification is required for each party applying for a marriage license: Valid U.S. State Driver's License, Valid Passport, Valid U.S. State ID Card, Valid Alien Registration Card, or a Valid U.S. Military ID card.

Both parties must apply in person. You are required to complete the Marriage License Application form in the Lee County Clerk's Office or you can obtain an application form on-line at www.leeclerk.org. Both parties are required to submit their Social Security Number. If previously married, the date of divorce, death, or annulment is required.

APPLICATION FEE: The standard fee for a marriage license is \$86.00 (Lee County checks accepted). The reduced fee for applicants (Florida Residents only) who have completed a four-hour marriage course is \$61.00.

FAMILY LAW HANDBOOK: The State of Florida requires that both applicants read the 'Family Law Handbook' provided by the Clerk. Each applicant must sign the Applicant's Statement attesting to having read the handbook. You may access the handbook by viewing our website at www.leeclerk.org.

WAITING PERIOD: The State of Florida requires that Florida Residents wait three calendar days from the date the license is issued before it can be used. This requirement does not apply to applicants if both parties are not Florida Residents.

PREMARITAL PREPARATION COURSE: Florida Residents can have the 3 day waiting period 'waived' by attending a four-hour premarital preparation course prior to the issuance of the license. In order to waive the 3 day waiting period, your premarital preparation course provider must be registered with the Lee County Clerk's Office. The Lee County Clerk's Office can provide a list of premarital preparation course providers upon request; the list is also located on our website" www.leeclerk.org.

Attendance of the course reduces the fee for the marriage license application is \$61.00. You must provide proof of course attendance upon applying for the license. The Lee County Clerk's Office does not provide the premarital preparation course.

MARRIAGE CEREMONY: Marriage ceremonies may be performed by the following per Florida Statute 741.07:

A regularly ordained minister or other ordained clergy;

Elders in communion with some church;

All judicial officers (judges)

Clerks of Circuit Court and their deputies

Notaries Public of the State of Florida

In addition, the law provides that marriages may be performed among "Quakers" or "Friends," in the manner and Form used or practiced in their societies.

An authorized Deputy Clerk of the Lee County Recording Department can perform the marriage ceremony for you in the Clerk of Courts Recording Office. The fee for the ceremony is \$30.00.

LOCATION & HOURS OF OPERATION: The Lee County Clerk of Courts Recording office is located in the Lee County Administration Building at 2115 Second Street, 2nd Floor Fort Myers FL 33901. The Recording Office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You can apply for a license between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. You can have the marriage ceremony performed in the office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE: The Statement of Compliance must have a mailing address filled out on the top along with a contact phone number and has to be signed and dated.

MARRIAGE LICENSE IS VALID FOR 60 DAYS: Your Marriage License is valid for 60 days from the effective date. If you do not marry within this period (60 days), you will be required to purchase a new license. No refunds or extensions are permitted. Please be advised that your name, address, telephone number and date of birth are public record and available upon request.

AMENDED/DUPLICATE MARRIAGE LICENSE: For information on obtaining a duplicate or amended marriage license, contact us at (239)533-5007.

Marriage License Application

Applicant 1: Last, First, Middle Name _____

Applicant 1: Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

Applicant 1: Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ **Applicant 1 Age** _____

Applicant 1: Residence Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant 1: County _____ **Applicant 1** Place of Birth (State or Country): _____

Applicant 1: SS# _____ **Applicant 1 Race:** _____

Applicant 1: Daytime Telephone # _____

Applicant 1: Previously Married? ___ **Yes** ___ **No**

Applicant 1: Total Marriage(s) including this Marriage _____

Applicant 1: Previous Marriage Ended by **Divorce** _____ **Death** _____ **Annulment** _____

Date Marriage Ended _____

I affirm this information is true and correct: _____

Applicant 1 Signature

Applicant 2: Last, First, Middle Name _____

Applicant 2: Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

Applicant 2: Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ **Applicant 2 Age** _____

Applicant 2: Residence Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant 2: County _____

Applicant 2: Place of Birth (State or Country) _____

Applicant 2: SS# _____ **Applicant 2 Race:** _____

Applicant 2: Daytime Telephone _____

Applicant 2: Previously Married? ___ **Yes** ___ **No**

Applicant 2: Total Marriage(s) including this marriage _____

Applicant 2: Previous Marriage Ended by **Divorce** _____ **Death** _____ **Annulment** _____

Date Marriage Ended _____

I affirm this information is true and correct: _____

Applicant 2 Signature

Please mark which address the marriage license should be mailed to after it has been recorded into the Official Record of Lee County: ___ **Applicant 1** ___ **Applicant 2** ___ **Other**

(Address, City, State, and Zip) _____

Notice: Once application is made most amendments to the marriage license may only be done with a court order from Lee County.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

NAME OF FIRST APPLICANT: _____

- 1. Yes No Are you a Florida Resident?
- 2. Yes No Have you completed a Premarital Preparation Course as specified in Chapter 741, Florida Statutes?
- 3. Yes No Have you accessed and read the information contained in the Family Law Handbook outlining the rights and responsibilities of parties to a marriage as specified in Section 741.0306, Florida Statutes?
- 4. Yes No Are you the parent of a minor child (ren) born in the State of Florida with Applicant 2?

NAME OF SECOND APPLICANT: _____

- 1. Yes No Are you a Florida Resident?
- 2. Yes No Have you completed a Premarital Preparation Course as specified in Chapter 741, Florida Statutes?
- 3. Yes No Have you accessed and read the information contained in the Family Law Handbook outlining the rights and responsibilities of parties to a marriage as specified in Section 741.0306, Florida Statutes?
- 4. Yes No Are you the parent of a minor child (ren) born in the State of Florida with applicant 1?

Where would you like the recorded marriage license mailed to?

Address: _____

By our signatures we do hereby swear and affirm that the information contained on this form is true and correct and may be relied upon for the issuance of a marriage license.

Date

Date

First Applicant Signature

Second Applicant Signature

First Applicant Phone #

Second Applicant Phone #

First Applicant email address

Second Applicant email address

DECLARACIÓN DE CUMPLIMIENTO

Nombre del primer solicitante: _____

- 1. Si No ¿Vive o reside Usted en la Florida?
- 2. Si No ¿Completó Usted un Curso de Preparación Prematrimonial según especificado en el Capítulo 741 de los Estatutos de la Florida?
- 3. Si No ¿Leyó Usted el Libro de Leyes Familiares que contienen los derechos y responsabilidades de los aspirantes a matrimonio según se especifica en la sección 741.0306, de los Estatutos de la Florida?
- 4. Si No ¿Tiene usted hijos con su novia o comprometida, que hayan nacido en el estado de la Florida?

Nombre del segundo demandante: _____

- 1. Si No ¿Vive o reside Usted en la Florida?
- 2. Si No ¿Completó Usted un Curso de Preparación Prematrimonial según especificado en el Capítulo 741 de los Estatutos de la Florida?
- 3. Si No ¿Leyó Usted el Libro de Leyes Familiares que contienen los derechos y responsabilidades de los aspirantes a matrimonio según se especifica en la sección 741.0306, de los Estatutos de la Florida?
- 4. Si No ¿Tiene usted hijos con su novio o comprometido, que hayan nacido en el estado de la Florida?

¿Dónde le gustaría la licencia de matrimonio grabada enviada por correo a?

Dirección: _____

Bajo penalidad de las leyes aplicables, y con nuestras firmas, juramos y afirmamos que la información contenida en este formulario es cierta y correcta, la cual será utilizada para emitir la licencia de matrimonio.

Fecha

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Primer firma del solicitante

Segundo firma del solicitante

Primer Solicitante Teléfono #

Segundo Solicitante Teléfono #

Correo electrónico de primer solicitante

Correo electrónico de segundo solicitante