

# How do I get married in New York State?

THE LEGALITY OF MARRIAGES ARE OVERSEEN BY NEW YORK STATE.

NOT Towns, Cities, or Counties.

The Town Clerk is involved ONLY to issue 1. Marriage Licenses, and

2. One Day Marriage Officiant Licenses.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

- Marriage licenses are necessary in order to schedule or hold a marriage ceremony.
- Marriage licenses are issued **by appointment only**. Both parties must be present when applying for a marriage license.
- The fee is \$40.00.
- It must be obtained at least 24 hours prior to the ceremony and is valid for 60 days.
- The following are required **in ENGLISH or TRANSLATED to English**:

(If Translated into English, Certification of Documents is required. )

- Proof of ID (driver license or passport)
- Certified Birth Certificates **with parents' names listed**
- Social Security Number OR SS Card if you do not know your SS # (if applicable)
- *IF Previously Married –*
  - *If Divorced -- Most Recent Divorce Papers with Judge Stamp and County Filing Date*
  - *All Other Divorces – Date of Divorce and County, State Required*
  - *If Marriage Ended by Death -- Death Certificate(s) Copy*
- The license will be issued while the couple waits. After the marriage is complete, the couple will receive an original marriage certificate from the Town Clerk by mail. Each additional copy costs \$10.00.

## ONE DAY MARRIAGE OFFICIANT LICENSE

- This is new NYS legislation which went into effect on March 28, 2023.
- This license is REQUIRED for marriage officiants other than clergy or a magistrate.
- The marriage officiant will apply for a one-day license from the same office that issued the couple's marriage license.
- The fee is \$25.
- The following are required:
  - Proof of Identity (Driver License/Passport)
  - [Completed Application](#)
  - \$25 fee payable to: Town of Ulster



## APPLICATION FOR ONE-DAY MARRIAGE OFFICIANT LICENSE Town of Ulster, Ulster County, New York State

**Applicant Name** \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Proof of identity presented \_\_\_\_\_

### Persons to be married (as appears on the marriage license)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

I duly swear/affirm that the information provided above is true and accurate.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature

Subscribed & sworn to/affirmed before me

\_\_\_\_\_

Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk

**License granted** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk

### Note:

*\*This license is valid only for the parties to be married as described above and shall expire after the marriage ceremony or the expiration of the marriage license, whichever occurs first.*

*\* **Applicant** name must match **Officiant** name on completed marriage license.*

*\* Ceremony must take place in New York State*