

COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION AND INFORMATION

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION

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With this application, you are applying for a public marriage license pursuant to Family Code Section 359. By signing this application, you are stating under penalty of perjury; 1) That you are unmarried 2) The information you have provided is true and correct and 3) There is no legal objection to the marriage.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE NAME EQUALITY ACT OF 2007 *(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)*

Pursuant to Family Code Section 306.5 at the time of applying for a marriage license, one or both parties to the marriage may elect to change the middle or last names, or both, by which the party wishes to be known *after* solemnization of the marriage by entering that information on the marriage license application. (*Fields 12A, 12B, 24A, and 24B*) – Parties may adopt or change middle or last names in the following options:

Middle Name:	Last Name:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ The current last name of either spouse✚ The last name of either spouse given at birth✚ A hyphenated combination of the current middle name and the current last name of the person or spouse✚ A hyphenated combination of the current middle name and the last name given at birth of the person or spouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✚ The current last name of the other spouse✚ The last name of either spouse given at birth✚ A name combining into a single last name all or a segment of the current last name or the last name of either spouse given at birth✚ A hyphenated combination of last names

NOTE: THE FIRST NAME OF THE PARTIES MAY NOT BE CHANGED ON THE MARRIAGE LICENSE.

The information entered in the *new name* fields 12A, 12B, 24A, and 24B cannot be changed once the marriage license is issued. An amendment or correction to the new elected middle or last name fields may only be issued to correct typographical errors whereby the information shown in the new name field does not match the information shown on the marriage license application.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE MARRIAGE LICENSE AND APPLICATION

With this marriage license you must be married only in the State of California in the presence of at least one witness, and your marriage must be solemnized by a person authorized to perform marriages in California as provided in Family Code Section 400-401.

The marriage certificate is used by multiple local, state, federal and private agencies, each of which have different rules and/or regulations regarding what documents are acceptable to change your name on their records following marriage. It is recommended that you contact these agencies to verify their requirements *prior to applying for your marriage license*.

It is unlawful for our employees to answer questions of a legal nature. County Clerk staff cannot advise you how to complete the marriage license application as it relates to your entry of a new name or retention of your former name on the marriage license application. For your protection, if you have *any* questions regarding whether you should or should not list you new name on the marriage license application, and/or how the Name Equality Act of 2007 may affect you, please consult your attorney *prior to applying for your marriage license*. Additional information on The Name Equality Act of 2007 can also found by accessing our web site at [www. Imperialcounty.net](http://www.Imperialcounty.net)

APPLICATION:

- ✚ The completion of all information requested on the marriage application is mandatory
- ✚ Marriage license is **valid only for 90 days** from the date of issuance. You *must* be married on or after the issuance date (field 25A), and on or before the expiration date of the marriage license (field 25B). Licenses not used within this timeframe are void.
- ✚ The Cost of this application for a public marriage license is: **\$55.00 Dollars**.
- ✚ Refunds CANNOT be given after a marriage license is issued.

MARRIAGE CEREMONIES AND CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE:

- ✚ If electing to marry at this department, the cost for marriage ceremony is \$25 (Ceremonies are performed daily Monday thru Friday - please inquire in office for ceremony schedule)
- ✚ Parties to the marriage will not be notified that the marriage license has been registered.
- ✚ Parties to the marriage do not automatically receive certified copy of the marriage certificate
- ✚ A certified copy of the marriage certificate can be requested at the local registrar of marriages (County Recorder) in Imperial County.

SEE REVERSE FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION

PUBLIC MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION
LICENSE COST \$55.00
(NO REFUNDS ARE GIVEN AFTER MARRIAGE LICENSE IS ISSUED)

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Please check the type of license you would like to apply for:

- License and Certificate of Marriage** (VS 117) – This is the standard type of marriage license. This type of marriage license requires the signature of at least one witness and one person solemnizing the marriage.
- License and Certificate of Marriage for Denominations Not Having Clergy** (VS115) – This type of license is used for the recording of marriages for members of religious societies or denominations that do not have clergy for the purpose of solemnizing a marriage.
- License and Certificate of Declaration of Marriage** (VS116) – This type of license is used for the recording of a marriage that was licensed and occurred over one year ago; however no official record exists.
- Confidential License and Certificate of Marriage** (VS 123) – Confidential marriage license may only be issued to unmarried parties who are at least 18 years old and have been living together as spouses. The requirements and cost for issuing this type of license are different. Request an application form from the county clerk or visit our website at www.imperialcounty.net.

APPLICANTS NEED TO PROVIDE A VALID GOVERNMENT ISSUED IDENTIFICATION AT TIME OF SUBMITTING APPLICATION. ACCEPTABLE TYPES ARE →

- U.S. Driver License
- U.S. ID Card
- Passport
- Border Crossing Card
- Resident or Non-Resident Alien Card
- A Birth Certificate and Photo ID

FIRST PERSON DATA <input type="checkbox"/> GROOM <input type="checkbox"/> BRIDE	1A. FIRST NAME			1B. MIDDLE NAME		
	1C. CURRENT LAST NAME			1D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (IF DIFFERENT THAN 1C.)		
	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. STATE/COUNTRY OF BIRTH	4. # OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES	5A. LAST MARRIAGE ENDED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> Death <input type="checkbox"/> Dissolution <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination of SRDP		5B. DATE ENDED
	6. ADDRESS		7. CITY	8. STATE/COUNTY	9. ZIP CODE	
	10A. FULL NAME OF FATHER/PARENT			10B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)		
	11A. FULL NAME OF MOTHER/PARENT			11B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)		
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INDICATE THE NEW MIDDLE, LAST OR BOTH NAME(S) UNDER WHICH YOU WILL BE KNOWN AFTER SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE – IF ANY			12A. NEW MIDDLE NAME		12B. NEW LAST NAME	
SECOND PERSON DATA <input type="checkbox"/> GROOM <input type="checkbox"/> BRIDE	13A. FIRST NAME			13B. MIDDLE NAME		
	13C. CURRENT LAST NAME			13D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (IF DIFFERENT THAN 1C.)		
	14. DATE OF BIRTH	15. STATE/COUNTRY OF BIRTH	16. # OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES	17A. LAST MARRIAGE ENDED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> Death <input type="checkbox"/> Dissolution <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment <input type="checkbox"/> Termination of SRDP		17B. DATE ENDED
	18. ADDRESS		19. CITY	20. STATE/COUNTY	21. ZIP CODE	
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SIGNATURE OF FIRST PERSON

SIGNATURE OF SECOND PERSON

DO NOT WRITE BELOW DOTTED LINE – OFFICIAL USE ONLY

1 ST PERSON ID # - TYPE: <input type="checkbox"/> DRVR LIC. <input type="checkbox"/> PASSPRT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	Phone #
2 ND PERSON ID# - TYPE: <input type="checkbox"/> DRVR LIC. <input type="checkbox"/> PASSPRT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	Phone #