

INFORMATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICANTS

Marriage License Issuance between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$93.00

If either applicant is UNDER 18 years of age, they must first contact the Department of Family Services Room 203. The phone number is (559) 730-5000. *Certified copy of court order is required when applying for a marriage license.*

Both applicants must come into the office to apply for a Marriage License.

If either party has been divorced and the dissolution was final within the past 90 days, a copy of the final dissolution papers are required.

Both applicants will need **VALID PICTURE IDENTIFICATION.**
Expired I.D. cards are NOT acceptable.

Most common picture identification: (Government issued I.D.)

Driver's License	Military Identification Card
State Identification Card	Naturalization Certificate
Alien Registration Card	Passport
Other Country I.D. Card (if in English)	

If you cannot furnish one of the above, you will need two pieces of identification.

1. One must include a picture; such as, current school I.D. or an employee I.D. card. **(Check cashing cards or other similar cards issued by Private Entities will NOT be accepted.)**
2. One must include your birth date; such as a certified copy of your Birth Certificate, an original Baptismal Certificate, or file stamped Adoption records.

ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE IN ENGLISH. If the document is in another language, it must be accompanied by a "certified" English translation.

BLOOD TESTS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED IN CALIFORNIA.

INFORMACION PARA APLICANTES PARA UNA LICENCIA DE MATRIMONIO

Horario 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Precio: \$93.00

Si uno de los aplicantes tiene menos de 18 años, tienen que hablar con el departamento de servicios familiares, el número es (559) 730-5000, en el cuarto #203. Una copia certificada de la orden de corte es requerida para aplicar para la licencia de matrimonio.

Los dos aplicantes tienen que estar presentes.

Si uno de los aplicantes ha sido divorciado y la disolución definitiva fue en los últimos 90 días, una copia de la disolución final es requerida.

AMBOS APLICANTES NECESITAN IDENTIFICACIÓN VÁLIDA CON RETRATO.

No aceptamos identificación vencida.

Formas de identificación mas comunes: (identificación echa por el gobierno).

Licencia de manejar

Identificación del estado

Tarjeta de residente extranjero

Identificación de otro país (en inglés)

Identificación militar

Certificado de naturalización

Si no puede proveer una forma de arriba, necesitan dos identificaciones.

- 1) Una tiene que ser con un retrato reciente, como identificación de la escuela o identificación del trabajo con un retrato reciente **(tarjetas para cambiar cheques o otras tarjetas similares no serán aceptadas).**
- 2) Una tiene que incluir la fecha de nacimiento, como una acta de nacimiento, documento de adopción archivado, o certificado original de bautismo.

TODOS LOS DOCUMENTOS TIENEN QUE ESTAR EN INGLÉS. Si los documentos están en otro idioma, tienen que ser traducidos en ingles por un intérprete certificado.

EXAMEN DE SANGRE NO ES REQUERIDO EN CALIFORNIA.

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC MARRIAGE LICENSE

<input type="checkbox"/> Groom <input type="checkbox"/> Bride FIRST PERSON DATA	1A. FIRST NAME				1B. MIDDLE	
	1C. CURRENT LAST				1D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (IF DIFFERENT THAN 1C)	
	2. DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/CCYY)	3. STATE/COUNTRY OF BIRTH	4. #PREV. MARRIAGES/SRDP	5A. LAST MARRIAGE/SRDP ENDED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> DEATH <input type="checkbox"/> DISSO <input type="checkbox"/> ANNULMENT <input type="checkbox"/> TERM SRDP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		5B. DATE ENDED (MM/DD/CCYY)
	6. ADDRESS		7. CITY		8. STATE/COUNTRY	9. ZIP CODE
	10A. FULL BIRTH NAME OF FATHER/PARENT				10B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)	
	11A. FULL BIRTH NAME OF MOTHER/PARENT				11B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Groom <input type="checkbox"/> Bride SECOND PERSON DATA	12A. FIRST NAME				12B. MIDDLE	
	12C. CURRENT LAST				12D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (IF DIFFERENT THAN 12C)	
	13. DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/CCYY)	14. STATE/COUNTRY OF BIRTH	15. # PREV. MARRIAGES/SRDP	16A. LAST MARRIAGE/SRDP ENDED BY: <input type="checkbox"/> DEATH <input type="checkbox"/> DISSO <input type="checkbox"/> ANNULMENT <input type="checkbox"/> TERM SRDP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		16B. DATE ENDED (MM/DD/CCYY)
	17. ADDRESS		18. CITY		19. STATE/COUNTRY	20. ZIP CODE
	21A. FULL BIRTH NAME OF FATHER/PARENT				21B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)	
	22A. FULL BIRTH NAME OF MOTHER/PARENT				22B. STATE OF BIRTH (IF OUTSIDE U.S. ENTER COUNTRY)	
AFFIDAVIT	WE, THE UNDERSIGNED DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT WE ARE UNMARRIED AND THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. WE FURTHER DECLARE THAT NO LEGAL OBJECTION TO THE MARRIAGE NOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE IS KNOWN TO US. WE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY FAMILY CODE SECTION 358 AND HEREBY APPLY FOR A LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.					
	23. SIGNATURE OF PERSON LISTED IN FIELDS 1A-1D ▶			24. SIGNATURE OF PERSON LISTED IN FIELDS 12A-12D ▶		
	THIS FIELD RESERVED FOR USE BY COUNTY CLERK STAFF: ISSUE DATE (MM/DD/CCYY) _____ MARRIAGE LICENSE NUMBER _____ BY ▶ _____					
SEE INFORMATION ON REVERSE SIDE	NEW MIDDLE AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 1A-1D (IF ANY) FOR USE UPON SOLEMNIZATION OF THE MARRIAGE (SEE REVERSE FOR INFORMATION)					
	30A. FIRST – MUST BE SAME AS 1A		30B. MIDDLE		30C. LAST	
	NEW MIDDLE AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 12A-12D (IF ANY) FOR USE UPON SOLEMNIZATION OF THE MARRIAGE (SEE REVERSE FOR INFORMATION)					
	31A. FIRST – MUST BE SAME AS 12A		31B. MIDDLE		31C. LAST	

To ensure that the correct marriage license is issued to you, please provide the information requested below:
 The person performing this marriage ceremony is (check one):
☐ Clergy person (minister, priest, rabbi, etc.)
☐ Judge
☐ Commissioner or Deputy commissioner of civil marriages
☐ Other (specify) _____

- ◆ With this application, you are applying for a public marriage license issued pursuant to Family Code Section 359.
- ◆ When you sign this application, you are stating under penalty of perjury that you are unmarried, the information you have provided is true and correct and that there is no legal objection to the marriage.
- ◆ **You have reviewed the information on the reverse side of this application pertaining to the New Names (If Any) fields, and understand the information in the new name fields 30A thru 31C cannot be changed or amended after the license is issued by this office.**
- ◆ You may be married anywhere in 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 for in Family Code Sections 400-401.
- ◆ Marriage licenses are valid for 90 days from the date of issuance. You must be married on or after the issuance date, and on or before the expiration date of the license. Licenses not used within this timeframe are void.
- ◆ No refunds are given for marriage licenses purchased in error.
- ◆ The cost of this application for a public marriage license is : \$93.00 payable to Tulare County Clerk by cash or check. Applicants phone # _____

See Reverse for information related to the New Name Fields

SOLICITUD DE LICENCIA PÚBLICA DE MATRIMONIO

<input type="checkbox"/> Novia <input type="checkbox"/> Novio DATOS DE LA PRIMERA PERSONA	1A. PRIMER NOMBRE				1B. SEGUNDO NOMBRE			
	1C. APELLIDO ACTUAL				1D. APELLIDO DE NACIMIENTO (SI ES DIFERENTE A 1C)			
	2. FECHA DE NACIMIENTO (DD/MM/AAAA)	3. ESTADO/PAÍS DE NACIMIENTO	4. MATRIMONIOS/SRDP PREVIOS		5A. ÚLTIMO MATRIMONIO/SRDP TERMINO EN: <input type="checkbox"/> MUERTE <input type="checkbox"/> DISOL. <input type="checkbox"/> ANULACIÓN <input type="checkbox"/> TERM. SRDP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		5B. FECHA TERMINACIÓN (DD/MM/AAAA)	
	6. DIRECCIÓN			7. CIUDAD		8. ESTADO/PAÍS		9. CODIGO POSTAL
	10A. NOMBRE DE NACIMIENTO COMPLETO DEL PAPA/PADRE				10B. ESTADO DONDE NACÍO (SI ES FUERA DE EE.UU. ESCRIBA EL PAÍS)			
11A. NOMBRE COMPLETO DE NACIMIENTO DE MAMA/PADRE				11B. ESTADO DONDE NACÍO (SI ES FUERA DE EE.UU. ESCRIBA EL PAÍS)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Novia <input type="checkbox"/> Novio DATOS DE LA SEGUNDA PERSONA	12A. PRIMER NOMBRE				12B. SEGUNDO NOMBRE			
	12C. APELLIDO ACTUAL				12D. APELLIDO DE NACIMIENTO (SI ES DIFERENTE A 12C)			
	13. FECHA DE NACIMIENTO (DD/MM/AAAA)	14. ESTADO/PAÍS DE NACIMIENTO	15. MATRIMONIOS/SRDP PREVIOS		16A. ÚLTIMO MATRIMONIO/SRDP TERMINO EN: <input type="checkbox"/> MUERTE <input type="checkbox"/> DISOL. <input type="checkbox"/> ANULACIÓN <input type="checkbox"/> TERM. SRDP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		16B. FECHA TERMINACIÓN (DD/MM/AAAA)	
	17. DIRECCIÓN			18. CIUDAD		19. ESTADO/PAÍS		20. CODIGO POSTAL
	21A. NOMBRE DE NACIMIENTO COMPLETO DEL PAPA/PADRE				21B. ESTADO DONDE NACÍO (SI ES FUERA DE EE.UU., ESCRIBA EL PAÍS)			
22A. NOMBRE COMPLETO DE NACIMIENTO DE MAMA/PADRE				22B. ESTADO DONDE NACÍO (SI ES FUERA DE EE.UU., ESCRIBA EL PAÍS)				
DECLARACIÓN JURADA	NOSOTROS, LOS ABAJO FIRMANTES, DECLARAMOS BAJO PENA DE PERJURIO BAJO LAS LEYES DEL ESTADO DE CALIFORNIA QUE NO ESTAMOS CASADOS Y QUE LA INFORMACIÓN ANTERIOR ES VERDADERO Y CORRECTO SEGÚN NUESTRO CONOCIMIENTO Y CREENCIA. TAMBIÉN DECLARAMOS QUE NO EXISTE NINGUNA OBJECCIÓN LEGAL PARA EL MATRIMONIO NI SE CONOCE LA EXPEDICIÓN DE NINGUNA LICENCIA PARA NOSOTROS. RECONOCEMOS HABER RECIBIDO LA INFORMACIÓN REQUERIDA POR LA SECCIÓN DEL CÓDIGO FAMILIAR 358 Y MEDIANTE LA PRESENTE SOLICITAMOS UNA LICENCIA PARA CERTIFICADO DE MATRIMONIO.							
	23. FIRMA DE LA PERSONA QUE APARECE EN CASILLAS 1A-1D				24. FIRMA DE LA PERSONA QUE APARECE EN CASILLAS 12A-12D			
	CAMPO RESERVADO PARA EL PERSONAL DE LA SECRETARÍA DEL CONDADO: FECHA DE EXPEDICIÓN (DD/MM/AAAA) NÚMERO DE LICENCIA DE MATRIMONIO				POR ►			
VER INFORMACIÓN EN EL REVERSO RE: NUEVOS NOMBRES	NUEVO SEGUNDO NOMBRE Y APELLIDO DE LA PERSONA QUE APARECE EN CASILLA 1A-1D (SI CORRESPONDE) PARA USAR EN LA SOLEMNIZACIÓN DEL MATRIMONIO (VEA EL REVERSO PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN)							
	30A. NOMBRE – DEBE SER IGUAL QUE 1A		30B. SEGUNDO NOMBRE			30C. APELLIDO		
VER INFORMACIÓN EN EL REVERSO RE: NUEVOS NOMBRES	NUEVO SEGUNDO NOMBRE Y APELLIDO DE LA PERSONA QUE APARECE EN CASILLA 1A-1D (SI CORRESPONDE) PARA USAR EN LA SOLEMNIZACIÓN DEL MATRIMONIO (VEA EL REVERSO PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN)							
	31A. NOMBRE – DEBE SER IGUAL QUE 12A		31B. SEGUNDO NOMBRE			31C. APELLIDO		

*SRDP: Compañero del hogar registrado ante el Estado

Para asegurar que se les expida la licencia correcta, proporcione la información que se solicita a continuación:

Persona que realiza esta ceremonia de matrimonio es (indique una):

- ☐ Persona del clero (ministro, sacerdote, rabino, etc.)
☐ Juez
☐ Comisario o representante del comisario de matrimonios civiles
☐ Otra (especifique) _____

- ♦ Con esta aplicación, usted solicita la expedición de licencia pública de matrimonio de acuerdo con la sección del código familiar 359.
- ♦ Al firmar esta solicitud, usted declara bajo pena de perjurio que no está casado(a), que la información que proporciona es verdadero y correcto, y que no existe ninguna objeción legal para su matrimonio.
- ♦ **Usted revisó la información en el reverso de esta solicitud perteneciente a las casillas de nuevos nombres (si corresponde), y entiende que la información en las casillas de nuevos nombres 30A hasta 31C no puede cambiarse ni modificarse una vez que esta oficina expida la licencia.**
- ♦ Usted puede casarse en cualquier lugar de California en presencia de por menos un testigo, y su matrimonio debe ser solemnizado por una persona autorizada para presidir matrimonios en California según lo disponen las Secciones del Código Familiar 400 y 401.
- ♦ Las licencias de matrimonio son válidas durante 90 días a partir de su fecha de expedición. Usted debe casarse en o después de la fecha de expedición, y en o antes de la fecha de expiración de la licencia. Las licencias que no se usen dentro de este límite de tiempo se cancelan.
- ♦ No se hacen reembolsos por licencias de matrimonio compradas por error.
- ♦ El costo de esta solicitud de licencia de matrimonio público es de: \$ 93.00 pagaderos a la orden de Tulare County Clerk en efectivo o Cheque***

Vea en el reverso información relacionada con los Campos de Nuevos Nombres

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The Name Equality Act of 2007

(AB 102, Chapter 567, Statutes of 2007, amended by AB 2882, Chapter 474, Statutes of 2016)

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California Department of Public Health

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Visit the [CDPH Website](http://www.cdph.ca.gov) at www.cdph.ca.gov

The Name Equality Act of 2007

What is the Name Equality Act?

The Name Equality Act of 2007 (AB 102, Chapter 567, Statutes of 2007 amended by AB 2882, Chapter 474, Statutes of 2016) allows one or both applicants for a California marriage license to elect to change the middle and/or last names by which each party wishes to be known after solemnization of the marriage.

What should the public know about the new law?

One or both parties to a marriage may elect to change the middle and/or last names by which that party wishes to be known after solemnization of the marriage. Each party applying for a marriage license may choose to include on their marriage license the new name in the spaces provided on the marriage license application without intent to defraud. Changing one's name through this process can only be done at the time the marriage license is issued by the County Clerk or authorized Notary Public, as applicable.

Each party to the marriage may adopt any of the following last names:

- 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 combination of last names.

Each party to the marriage may adopt any of the following middle names:

- The current last name of either spouse.
- The last name of either spouse given at birth.
- A combination of the current middle name and the current last name of the person or spouse.
- A combination of the current middle name and the birth last name of the person or spouse.
- Segments are not allowed in the middle name.
- Parties may not completely drop their existing middle name.

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What should the public know about the new law? (Continued)

Parties to the marriage may not change their first name on the marriage license. Persons desiring to change their first name must do so by obtaining a court ordered name change through the superior court, pursuant to Title 8 (commencing with Section 1275) of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Parties to the marriage are not required to change their name. Persons who have legal concerns or questions regarding their decision to include a new name or not to include a new name on the marriage license should seek legal advice before purchasing the marriage license.

Parties to the marriage may not add or amend this information after the marriage license has been issued. Clerical errors in the new name fields may only be amended if the amendment is signed by the county clerk and one of the parties to the marriage.

This law shall not abrogate the right of either party to adopt a different name at a future date through non-fraudulent common law usage or to petition the superior court for a change of name pursuant to Title 8 (commencing with Section 1275) of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

When does the new law take effect?

This law applies only to marriage licenses issued on or after 01/01/2009. Marriage licenses issued prior to 01/01/2009 are not covered under the Name Equality Act.

What does the new law mean?

The Name Equality Act allows one party or both parties to a marriage, through the marriage license process, to elect to change the middle and/or last names by which that party wishes to be known after solemnization of the marriage. A certified copy of a marriage certificate containing the new name, or retaining the former name, shall constitute proof that the use of the new name or retention of the former name is lawful. The new law also specifies that a certified copy of the marriage certificate shall be accepted as identification establishing a true, full name for purposes of obtaining a California driver's license.

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What if I am not sure what name I want to use after marriage or have questions related to my legal rights?

If, at the time the marriage license is purchased, you have not decided on the name you wish to use after marriage, you may change your name at a future date through non-fraudulent usage or a court ordered name change. If you are not sure how the changes may legally affect you or have legal questions about the Name Equality Act, please seek legal advice before purchasing a marriage license.

Am I required to list the name on the marriage license that I will be known by following marriage?

No. You are not required to list the name on the marriage license by which you will be known following marriage. If you choose not to change your name at the time you purchase your marriage license, you may not add or amend this information on the marriage license/certificate at a later date. If, after issuance of the marriage license but before the ceremony, you decide you want to have your new name added to the marriage license, you must purchase a new marriage license and have the old license voided.

What if I live in another state or country?

There is no prohibition against including new name(s) on the marriage license when applicants do not reside in California or the United States. If you have legal concerns about how the changes may affect you in your particular state or country, you should seek legal advice before purchasing a California marriage license.

Will other agencies accept my new name?

The marriage certificate is used by multiple local, state, federal and private agencies, each of which have different requirements 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.

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What written information is the State required to provide?

The law requires that the brochure entitled “Your Future Together” include information regarding the options the parties to the marriage have for choosing a new middle and/or last name upon solemnization of marriage. “Your Future Together” is published by the California Department of Public Health, Genetics Disease Branch.

Who should I call if I have unanswered questions related to this process?

If you have read this pamphlet thoroughly and still have questions that were not answered in this pamphlet, you can contact your County Clerk/Recorder for further assistance. You may also contact the California Department of Public Health Vital Records, Customer Service Unit at (916) 445-2684. If you have specific questions how the changes may legally affect you or have legal questions about the Name Equality Act, you should consult with a private attorney.