

Congratulations on your forthcoming Marriage. This notice contains important information about the Marriage Licence you have just purchased. This licence can only be used in the Province of Ontario.

Part 3, Statement of Marriage

- The Statement of Marriage must be completed accurately and clearly as it is the permanent legal record of your marriage.
- This document must be signed during the ceremony by you, your witnesses and the person solemnizing your marriage.
- It is the responsibility of the person solemnizing your marriage to send the completed and signed document to the Office of the Registrar General.

Record of Solemnization of Marriage

- The Record of Solemnization of Marriage will be completed, detached and given to you by the person solemnizing the marriage once the ceremony is completed.
- The Record of Solemnization of Marriage is **not** an official marriage certificate.

Proof of Marriage Registration

- To have proof that your marriage has been registered by the Province of Ontario, it is recommended that you order a marriage certificate.
- You may order an official marriage certificate approximately 12 weeks from the date of marriage.
- Current fees and application forms are available at your local municipal office.
- Complete and mail the application with the appropriate fees to the Office of the Registrar General, PO Box 4600, Thunder Bay ON P7B 6L8.

Félicitations à l'occasion de votre mariage prochain. Le présent avis contient d'importants renseignements sur la Licence de mariage que vous venez d'acheter. Cette licence n'est valide qu'en Ontario.

3^e partie, Déclaration de mariage

- Il faut s'assurer que la Déclaration de mariage est remplie avec clarté et précision, car elle constitue le document juridique permanent de votre mariage.
- Au cours de la cérémonie, la personne qui célébrera votre mariage, vos témoins et vous-mêmes devrez signer ce document.
- Il incombe à la personne qui célèbre le mariage de faire parvenir le document dûment rempli et signé au Bureau du registraire général de l'état civil.

Attestation de célébration de mariage

- Après la cérémonie, la personne qui aura célébré votre mariage remplira, détachera et vous remettra une attestation de célébration de mariage.
- L'attestation de célébration de mariage **ne constitue pas** votre certificat officiel.

Preuve de l'enregistrement du mariage

- Pour obtenir la preuve que la province de l'Ontario a enregistré votre mariage, nous vous invitons à commander un certificat de mariage.
- Vous pouvez commander ce certificat approximativement 12 semaines après la date du mariage.
- Vous pouvez obtenir le barème des droits actuels et les formules de demande auprès du bureau local de votre municipalité.
- Veuillez remplir et envoyer la demande, en y joignant les droits prévus, au Bureau du registraire général de l'état civil, CP 4600, Thunder Bay ON P7B 6L8.

Before you get married...

You need to check that the person performing your marriage ceremony is an authorized official. It is important to ensure that your marriage is performed properly and legally.



Who can perform a legal marriage in Ontario



- A **religious marriage ceremony** may be performed by a person who is registered under the Marriage Act to perform religious marriages in Ontario (religious official).
- A **civil marriage ceremony** may be performed by a judge, a justice of the peace, or a municipal clerk and/or their delegate.

Only persons noted above are authorized to perform a marriage in Ontario.



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Religious Official:

- Check online at **ServiceOntario.ca/GettingMarried** to access lists of religious officials who are registered to perform marriages. Call ServiceOntario at 1-800-461-2156 (areas outside Toronto) or 416-325-8305.

Ontario Municipal Clerk/Delegate:

- Contact your local city hall, town hall or municipal office to determine whether they provide civil marriage services and if so, who can perform a marriage.

Judge/Justice of the Peace:

- Judge: must be an Ontario provincial judge or a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
- Justice of the Peace: must be a justice of the peace under Ontario's Justices of the Peace Act.

Visit **ServiceOntario.ca/GettingMarried** for more information.

