

MARYANNE MORSE
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

TO: Marriage License Applicants

RE: **INFORMATION FOR OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENSE**

LOCATION: Seminole County Courthouse
301 North Park Avenue, Room N101, Sanford, Florida 32771.
(407) 665-4375. Office Hours – 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

BRANCH: Branch Office at Oak Groves Shoppes (formerly Loehmann's Plaza)
995 North State Road 434, suite 403, Altamonte Springs, Florida, 32714.
(407) 862-5373. Office Hours – 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

BRANCH: Branch Office at Wilshire Plaza
376 Wilshire Boulevard, Casselberry, Florida 32707.
(407) 830-7337. Office Hours – 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE

1. Both applicants must apply in person and must sign application.
2. Applicants shall be 18 years of age. *(Refer to information below if under the age of 18).
3. Applicants must have either a valid photo I.D. or a certified copy of birth certificate for proof of age.
4. If previously married, the date (mm/dd/yy) the last marriage ended is needed. (If the last marriage ended within the last thirty (30) days, you must present a Certified Copy of your final judgment, annulment order or death certificate of spouse.
5. Effective July 1, 2004, the fee due upon making application is \$61.00 for those who have taken the four hour prescribed premarital class given by a Psychologist, Clinical Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist, Mental Health Counselor, or an Official of a recognized religious institution. The certificate must be presented at the time the license is purchased. For those choosing not to take the class the fee of \$93.50 will be due with a three day wait unless hardship is indicated:

CASH ... NON-REFUNDABLE...PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED!!!

BLOOD TESTS are no longer required in accordance with Florida law effective October, 1, 1986
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1987, Florida law provides that a marriage license is valid for sixty (60) days once issued.
NO MARRIAGE LICENSE shall be issued without an affidavit as to age. *If either applicant is under 18 years of age, but AT LEAST 16 years of age, written consent of both natural parents, if living and not divorced, is required – if divorced, the consent of the parent having legal custody. Step-parents may not give consent unless there is proof of adoption. If the applicant has been previously married, the foregoing does not apply. If 16 or 17 and non consent form can be obtained, proof of pregnancy is required. Applicants must provide a verified written statement by a licensed physician substantiating fact of pregnancy. (This written statement must be signed by the examining physician). In this instance, the marriage license must be approved and signed by a County Judge.

INCESTUOUS MARRIAGES ARE PROHIBITED – A man may not marry any woman to whom he is related by blood relationship in a direct line of ancestry, nor his sister, nor his aunt, nor his niece. A woman may not marry any man to whom she is related by blood relationship in a direct line of ancestry, nor her brother, nor her uncle, nor her nephew.

PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE MATRIMONY IN FLORIDA include all regularly ordained ministers, elders, the judiciary, clerks of the circuit courts, and notary publics (notaries must be licensed in the state of Florida). Before any of these persons shall solemnize any marriage, he shall require of the parties a marriage license. Witnesses may attend the ceremony, but are not required.

NOTE: The office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court performs wedding ceremonies between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. BRANCH OFFICES: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The fee is Thirty (\$30.00) Dollars Cash.

AFTER MARRIAGE IS PERFORMED, license must be returned to the Marriage License Division of the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court within ten (10) days. Upon receipt of the returned license, the office of the Clerk of the circuit Court will forward a certified copy of your marriage license to you AT NO CHARGE. There is no record of a marriage until this is done. Additional certified copies of the license may be obtained from the Land Records Division of the Clerk of the Circuit Court upon payment of \$3.00 per copy.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WRITE: Maryanne Morse, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Marriage License Division, P.O. Box 8099, Sanford, Florida 32772-8099, or telephone (407)665-4375.

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