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COUNTY CLERK



BEXAR COUNTY

REQUIREMENTS FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION IN BEXAR COUNTY

1. **THE MARRIAGE LICENSE DEPARTMENT IS LOCATED ON THE 1st FLOOR OF THE PAUL ELIZONDO TOWER AT 101 W. NUEVA ST., STE. 120, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. OFFICE HOURS ARE 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT HOLIDAYS.**
2. **BOTH APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT PROOF OF AGE AND IDENTITY BY CERTIFIED COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR BY SOME CERTIFICATE, LICENSE, OR DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THIS STATE OR ANOTHER STATE, THE UNITED STATES, OR A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT. (Section 2.005 Texas Family Code).**
3. **EACH APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO PRESENT THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE).**
4. **THE FEE FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE IS \$81 CASH. THE BEXAR COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE WILL NOT ACCEPT CHECKS, CREDIT CARDS, OR DEBIT CARDS.**
5. **THE GENERAL AGE REQUIREMENT TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS IS EIGHTEEN (18). (Section 2.101 Texas Family Code). APPLICANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 (MINORS) WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETED "CONSENT AND AUTHORIZATION OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN FOR THE MARRIAGE OF A MINOR" FORM. THE FORM FOR APPLICANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN WHO RESIDES IN BEXAR COUNTY IS AVAILABLE IN THE BEXAR COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. THE FORM ON THE COUNTY CLERK'S WEBSITE IS UTILIZED WHEN AN APPLICANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESIDES OUTSIDE BEXAR COUNTY.**
6. **THE COUNTY CLERK MAY NOT ISSUE A MARRIAGE LICENSE IF EITHER APPLICANT INDICATES THAT THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN DIVORCED WITHIN THE LAST 30 DAYS, UNLESS: (A) THE APPLICANTS WERE DIVORCED FROM EACH OTHER; OR (B) THE PROHIBITION AGAINST REMARRIAGE IS WAIVED BY THE COURT (Section 2.009 Texas Family Code).**
7. **IF A MARRIAGE CEREMONY HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED BEFORE THE 90TH DAY AFTER THE DATE THE LICENSE WAS ISSUED, THE MARRIAGE LICENSE EXPIRES. (Section 2.201 Texas Family Code). NORMALLY, A MARRIAGE CEREMONY MAY NOT TAKE PLACE DURING THE 72 HOUR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ISSUANCE OF THE MARRIAGE LICENSE.**
8. **THE 72 HOUR WAITING PERIOD DOES NOT APPLY TO AN APPLICANT WHO MEETS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**
 - A) **THE APPLICANT IS ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY.**
 - B) **THE APPLICANTS COMPLETE A "TWOGETHER IN TEXAS" PREMARITAL EDUCATION COURSE APPROVED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS, AND PROVIDES THE MARITAL EDUCATION COURSE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE TO THE COUNTY CLERK.**
 - C) **THE APPLICANT OBTAINS A WRITTEN WAIVER FROM A JUDGE OF A COURT WITH JURISDICTION IN FAMILY LAW CASES. (Section 2.204 Texas Family Code).**
9. **THE STATE OF TEXAS DOES NOT REQUIRE A BLOOD TEST.**
10. **IT IS THE APPLICANTS RESPONSIBILITY TO SET UP THE APPOINTMENT WITH THE PERSON WHO IS CONDUCTING THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY.**

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