



APPLICATION FOR GENEALOGICAL SEARCH OF MARITAL RECORDS

MAILING ADDRESS INFORMATION		
NOTE: Please PRINT your name, address and identifying information clearly. This portion will be used when mailing your service or correspondence.		FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: AFS#
SURNAME	GIVEN NAMES	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
MAILING ADDRESS		
CITY, PROVINCE/STATE, COUNTRY	POSTAL CODE	
HOME NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE)	WORK NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE)	E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Upon acceptance of your application, a search of all British Columbia marriage records created after your 15th birthday will be undertaken. The results of this search will be provided to you in certificate form.

It is important that you understand that the Vital Statistics Agency only maintains records of events that take place in British Columbia. Each province of Canada maintains its own records.

Complete the following information in full:

B I R T H	SURNAME & SEX	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
	GIVEN NAMES	First	Middle Names	
	BIRTH PLACE	City	Province/State	Country
	BIRTH DATE	Month (abbreviated)	Day	Year

SEARCH OF BRITISH COLUMBIA MARRIAGE RECORDS - \$50.00
(Processing time is approximately 9 working days.)

PAYMENT METHODS

Cheque
 Money Order
 Visa
 MasterCard
 American Express

Interac/Cash payment may be made in person at one of our three offices. Cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance.

Credit Card # _____ Expiry Date _____

Postdated cheques not accepted

PRINT Card holder name as shown on Credit Card

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Card holder signature

Eligibility: Only the individual themselves, or an individual to whom they have provided written consent to apply on their behalf, may make application for a search of marriage records in their name.

YOUR SIGNATURE (written): _____

GENEALOGICAL SEARCH OF MARRIAGE RECORDS, Also Known As AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY/FREEDOM TO MARRY/MARITAL STATUS

Marriages performed abroad are done so in accordance with the laws of that country. Some foreign countries require nonresidents wishing to marry in their country to provide some form of documentation to confirm that they are in fact eligible to marry. The requested documentation may be in the form of an affidavit or certificate issued from the province/state where the individual resides, confirming that the individual is not currently married.

While we cannot confirm one's marital status, our agency provides a service wherein BC marriage records from the individuals reported 15th birthday to the date of application are researched to determine if a record is held. The result of our search of records is provided in certificate form and appears to satisfy such requirements. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that this service is what they require; once completed there is no ability to refund the service fee.

To view a sample of the information provided, visit our web page at:

http://www.vs.gov.bc.ca/genealogy/geneal_serch_marit_recrd.html

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TO AVOID DELAY

- ◆ Complete all sections in full.
- ◆ It is against postal regulations to send cash through the mail. Payment in **Canadian funds** should be forwarded by cheque (**Postdated cheques not accepted**), bank draft or money order made **payable to the Minister of Finance**. Credit Card payments are accepted, please complete the Credit Card portion on the front of this form.
- ◆ Be sure your address and telephone number are correct and clear.
- ◆ A service charge of \$30.00 will be levied on all cheques not honoured by the payees financial institution.

FEES

Fees as noted for each requested search on the front.

Fees effective January 02, 1996. All fees subject to change. If ordering after April 1, 2008, contact our office for current fees.

MAILING ADDRESS

Vital Statistics Agency
PO Box 9657 STN PROV GOVT
Victoria BC V8W 9P3

ENQUIRIES

Telephone: **250 952-2681** (Victoria)

ORDERING BY CREDIT CARD

Telephone: 250 952-2557 (Victoria & outside BC)
Toll free: 1 888 876-1633 (within BC)

OR VISIT ONE OF OUR OFFICES

VICTORIA:

818 Fort Street
Victoria BC

VANCOUVER:

250 - 605 Robson Street
Vancouver BC

KELOWNA:

101 - 1475 Ellis Street
Kelowna BC

Check our Web Site at: <http://www.vs.gov.bc.ca>

The information on this form is collected under the authority of the **Vital Statistics Act** (RSBC 1996, c.479, Sec. 37 & 38). The information provided will be used to fulfill the requirements of the **Vital Statistics Act** for the release of marriage information. If you have any questions about the collection or use of this information, please contact a Vital Statistics Client Service Representative at 250 952-2681, or write to the mailing address provided above. This information is protected for unauthorized use and disclosure in accordance with the **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act** and may be disclosed only in accordance with that Act.