

# MARRIAGE ACT

## APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENCE

APPLICANT NAME <small>(Surname)</small>	<small>(Given Names)</small>	<b>SHADED AREA FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>
HOME NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE)	WORK NUMBER (INCLUDING AREA CODE)	
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### PARTY

SURNAME	GIVEN NAMES IN FULL	SEX	MARITAL STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> NEVER MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWED
PERSONAL HEALTH NUMBER	DATE OF BIRTH <small>Month (by name)      Day      Year</small>	AGE	PLACE OF BIRTH (City, Prov/State, Country)
FULL MAILING ADDRESS (Street, City, Prov/State, Country, Postal Code)			

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### DECLARATION

1. **A marriage is intended to be solemnized in the Province of British Columbia** within the next three months between the parties whose full legal names are as given.
2. According to the best of my knowledge and belief, there is no consanguinity or other lawful cause to bar or hinder the solemnization of the said marriage. **(See table on reverse.)**
3. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

Declared before me at \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the Province of British Columbia this \_\_\_\_\_  
 day of \_\_\_\_\_

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The information on this form is collected under the authority of the **Marriage Act** (RSBC 1996, c. 479 s15). The information provided will be used to fulfill the licence requirement of the **Marriage Act**, register the marriage, produce marriage certificates and prepare statistical and demographic information related to marriage in the Province. If you have any questions about collection and use of this information contact a Vital Statistics representative in your area or call 250 952-2681. Personal information collected by the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency is protected under the **Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act** and is treated with the utmost confidentiality.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

### GENERAL

- (a) A marriage licence is required for every marriage, and is effective on the day application is made.
- (b) Both parties to the marriage may be required to present satisfactory evidence of identification (i.e. birth certificate, citizenship papers).
- (c) Where the death of a former spouse is only presumed, a Court Order of Presumption of Death **MUST** be furnished before the issuance of a marriage licence.

### USE OF SURNAMES ON MARRIAGE

A spouse by marriage may:

- (a) use the surname they had immediately before the marriage;
- (b) use the surname they had at birth or by adoption; or
- (c) use the surname of their spouse by marriage.

### FEE

The fee for a marriage licence is \$100.00 and payable at the time of making application and is not refundable. A large marriage certificate will be issued after the event is registered. The certificate will be addressed to both parties and mailed to the first address indicated on the Marriage Registration at no additional charge.

**It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that neither of the parties to the proposed marriage is within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity as printed below.**

#### DEGREES OF CONSANGUINITY WHICH BAR THE LAWFUL SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE

##### ***A man may not marry his –***

Grandmother  
Mother  
Granddaughter  
Daughter  
Sister

##### ***A woman may not marry her –***

Grandfather  
Father  
Grandson  
Son  
Brother

The relationships set forth in this table include all such relationships, whether by the whole or half blood or by order of adoption.