

Town of BRIDGTON, Maine
Department of Town Clerk

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE APPLICATION'

- The 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' application is a legal document. You are responsible and liable for providing the information and documentation as required.
- Please complete the 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' and have both signatures notarized or sign the documents before one of the clerks in the Town Office; proof of identity may be required.
- If either party is divorced, widowed or has had their previous marriage legally annulled, you must provide the **certified** document verifying how the previous marriage ended. 'Certified' means that the document is affixed with a raised seal and/or contains original signatures.
- Maine residents intending to be joined in marriage shall file their 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' in the office of the clerk of the municipality in which at least one of them resides. The filing fee is \$40.⁰⁰.
 - If one party to a marriage resides in Maine but the other resides outside the State of Maine, the filing procedure will remain the same; both parties will file 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' at the resident municipality.
- Out of state residents may file their 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' in any municipal office. Once the 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE' has been filed and the license has been issued, the parties may marry anywhere within the State of Maine.
- The marriage license expires ninety (90) days from the date of filing your 'INTENTION OF MARRIAGE.'
- Both parties must sign their license in front of the Town Clerk before it can be issued. Proof of identity may be required.
- The officiant is required to file the marriage license within seven (7) days. A certified copy (legal document) of the marriage certificate can be obtained from the issuing Town Office after the license has been filed. The fee is \$15.00 for the first copy and \$6.00 for each additional copy purchased at the same time.

Congratulations!!

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State of Maine Intentions of Marriage
Department of Health and Human Services

INSTRUCTIONS: Please type or clearly print with **black ink**. Complete every item carefully, **sign the certification statement on page 2** and return the completed intentions to the municipality in which at least one party resides. If neither applicant is a Maine resident, return the completed intentions to any municipality.

Party A (check one) <input type="radio"/> Bride <input type="radio"/> Groom <input type="radio"/> Spouse <i>(Please complete the Parental Consent Form if Party A is less than the age of 18.)</i>					
1. Current First Name		1a. Current Middle Name(s)	1b. Current Last Name		1c. Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)
2. Name Prior to First Marriage - First		2a. Middle Name(s)	2b. Last Name		2c. Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)
3. Birthplace State	4. Birthplace Country	5. Date of Birth (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)		6. Age	7. Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
8. Father/Parent Name Prior to First Marriage (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)			8a. Birthplace (<i>State</i>)	8b. Country	
9. Mother/Parent Name Prior to First Marriage (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)			9a. Birthplace (<i>State</i>)	9b. Country	
10. Party A Residence Street Address					
10a. City/Town		10b. County	10c. State	10d. Country	10e. Zip Code
11. Party A Mailing Address (<i>Street or PO</i>) (<i>Apt/Unit</i>)					
11a. City/Town			11b. State	11c. Country	11d. Zip Code
12. Party A Telephone Number (<i>10 digits</i>)			12a. Party A E-mail Address (<i>If applicable</i>)		
13. Social Security Number *		14. Number of this Marriage: (<i>First, Second, etc.</i>)		15. If Previously Married, Last Marriage Ended <input type="checkbox"/> Death <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment	
16. Date Last Marriage Ended (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)			17. Name of Former Spouse (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)		
18. Name of Court and/or Location Last Marriage Ended (<i>City/State or Country</i>)				19. Is Party A currently registered with the State of Maine as a Domestic Partner? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Party B (check one) <input type="radio"/> Bride <input type="radio"/> Groom <input type="radio"/> Spouse <i>(Please complete the Parental Consent Form if Party B is less than the age of 18.)</i>					
20. Current First Name		20a. Current Middle Name(s)	20b. Current Last Name		20c. Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)
21. Name Prior to First Marriage - First		21a. Middle Name(s)	21b. Last Name		21c. Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)
22. Birthplace State	23. Birthplace Country	24. Date of Birth (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)		25. Age	26. Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
27. Father/Parent Name Prior to First Marriage (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)			27a. Birthplace (<i>State</i>)	27b. Country	
28. Mother/Parent Name Prior to First Marriage (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)			28a. Birthplace (<i>State</i>)	28b. Country	
29. Party B Residence Street Address					
29a. City/Town		29b. County	29c. State	29d. Country	29e. Zip Code
30. Party B Mailing Address (<i>Street or PO</i>) (<i>Apt/Unit</i>)					
30a. City/Town			30b. State	30c. Country	30d. Zip Code
31. Party B Telephone Number (<i>10 digits</i>)			31a. Party B E-mail address (<i>If applicable</i>)		
32. Social Security Number *		33. Number of this Marriage: (<i>First, Second, etc.</i>)		34. If Previously Married, Last Marriage Ended <input type="checkbox"/> Death <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce <input type="checkbox"/> Annulment	
35. Date Last Marriage Ended (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)			36. Name of Former Spouse (<i>First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix</i>)		
37. Name of Court and/or Location Last Marriage Ended (<i>City/State or Country</i>)				38. Is Party B currently registered with the State of Maine as a Domestic Partner? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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Signed Certification			
39. First cousins are required by law to obtain a certificate of genetic counseling by a physician. Are you first cousins? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
I hereby certify that the information provided is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I am free to marry under the laws of Maine. I understand a person who makes false representations to obtain a marriage license or to cause the solemnization of a marriage in violation of Maine law commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture may be adjudged as specified in Title 19-A §659 (3). This "intentions to marry" form is valid only for marriages performed in the State of Maine.			
40. Signature of Party A	Date Signed	41. Signature of Party B	Date Signed
The above named parties have personally appeared before me and made oath to the truth and foregoing statement: Notaries please do not use a notary seal, embosser or stamp on marriage intentions or licenses.			
Signature of Notary Public or Municipal Clerk		Signature of Notary Public or Municipal Clerk	
Printed Name of Notary or Clerk		Printed Name of Notary or Clerk	
Date Signed		Date Signed	
My Term Expires	City/Town	My Term Expires	City/Town
County	State	County	State
Ceremony/Solemnization (Provide date and location of marriage and the name of the person performing the ceremony if known) (If unknown, print unknown)			
42. Date of Marriage (mm/dd/yyyy)	43. Place of Marriage (City/Town)	44. County	
45. Officiant Name (First, Middle, Last Name, Suffix)		46. Officiant Telephone Number (10 digits)	
47. Officiant Title (Type of Clergy such as Minister, Judge, Priest or Member of the Maine Bar, or Notary, etc.)			
48. Officiant E-Mail Address			
49. Officiant Mailing Address (Street or PO) (Apt/Unit)			
50. City/Town	51. State	52. Country	53. Zip Code

*Federal law requires the collection of social security numbers from applicants for a marriage license. (42 USC §666). **The SSN is confidential information and may not be disclosed** (1 M.R.S. §402 (3)(N)). This document (the "State of Maine Intentions of Marriage" form) **becomes a public record 50 years after** the date on this intentions to marry form (19-A M.R.S. §651). Because the SSN is confidential information that may *not* be disclosed, the SSN must be deleted (redacted) from this document before it is open for public inspection after 50 years. The social security number (SSN) is retained by the State Agency and the municipal clerks responsible for the administration of the vital statistics system.

NOTE: The clerk of each municipality in this State shall keep a chronological record of all marriages reported to the municipal clerk and must be kept as prescribed by the state registrar. The Marriage License will be prepared based on the information furnished on this form.

State of Maine Intentions of Marriage
Non-Confidential (Public) Information

Today's Date: _____

Date Intentions Filed (mm/dd/yyyy): _____

Place Intentions Filed (Issuing office): _____

Party A
Current First Name, Middle Name(s), Last Name, Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)
Party B
Current First Name, Middle Name(s), Last Name, Suffix (<i>Jr., etc.</i>)

According to Maine law, the names of the parties and the intended date of marriage are public records and the "page 3" is available for public inspection and that the names and intended date is included in the annual municipal report on vital statistics. (19-A M.R.S. §651 and 22 M.R.S. §2706).