

# TO BE FILLED OUT JOINTLY BY COUPLE MAKING APPLICATION

(Do not make separate applications for groom and bride.)

## REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENSE

In applying for a marriage license, both the prospective groom (male) and bride (female) must appear in person before a marriage license agent.

A marriage license is issued immediately after the application is made. After being issued, the license expires *within 30 days* and it is *valid statewide*.

To marry, males as well as females must be at least 15 years of age. Males and females who are 16 or 17 years of age must have the written consent of both parents, or of the legal guardian, or other person in whose care and custody the minor has been placed, or of the family court judge who has jurisdiction over the minor child. Males and females may marry at age 15 years with the written consent of both parents or legal guardian and the written approval of the judge of the family court. No one under 15 years of age may marry.

Proof of age in the form of a certified copy of a birth certificate must be presented to the marriage license agent by any applicant who is under 19 years of age. Proof of age may be requested for those applicants over 18 in the form of an I.D. or driver's license.

A blood relationship between the prospective groom and the bride must not be closer than first cousins.

Blood tests are not required.

The fee for a license is payable, in cash, at the time of filing the application.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT APPLICATION FORM

Please use black ink. Print information so that it can be read easily. If you have a home or office telephone, give number in left margin. Do not sign the application until the marriage license agent asks you to do so. **It must be signed in his or her presence.**

Name of *groom and bride*. Enter the full first, middle, and last names. Do not use abbreviations or initials.

Date of Birth. Enter the exact month, day and year. Enter the full name of the month - January, February, March, etc.

*Usual residence*. Give street address, if any, and enter the name of the city or town in full and the county. Enter zip code number in space provided in left margin. If no street address, enter name of town or village. Mailing address may be used but must be enclosed in parenthesis before the name of the town or village.

DO NOT USE MAILING ADDRESS ALONE.

*Place of birth*. For groom and bride, give city or town and state, or city or town and foreign country.

*Father and mother*: Enter full first, middle, and last names without abbreviations or initials. For mother, enter full maiden name. For place of birth, enter state or foreign country only. After "Living?" state "yes" or "no," or "unknown."

*Blood relationship of groom to bride*. Generally, the entry here will be "none."

*On what island do you plan to be married?* Oahu, Hawaii; Maui, Kauai, Lanai' or Molokai.

*When do you plan to be married?* Date of ceremony must be within 30 days of application.

*Name of marriage performer*: Person who is to perform the marriage ceremony.

*Note: Hawai'i state law requires that the person performing the marriage ceremony must be licensed by the State of Hawaii; Department of Health; otherwise, the marriage may be declared invalid (Sec. 572-1-8, HRS).*

*Forwarding address (After marriage)*: Enter mailing address where you would like the certified copy of your marriage certificate to be sent.

*Do you want your names published in the newspaper?* Names printed on a space available basis as a public service; no charge. (May not be available on all islands).

*Number of this marriage*: First, second, third, etc.

*If previously married*: State how your last marriage ended, i.e., by death, divorce or annulment. Then enter the date and place of death, divorce or annulment.

*Race*: Use such terms as Japanese, Caucasian, Black, Hawaiian, etc. Using the term Hawaiian may be advantageous, if appropriate.

*Occupation*: Give your usual occupation, such as: carpenter, bookkeeper, student; sales clerk; auto mechanic; soldier-U.S. Army; sailor-U.S. Navy; or officer-U.S. Army; officer-U.S. Navy; etc. (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired).

*Education*: Enter the number of the highest grade completed in "regular" schooling in the space for elementary/secondary or college.

*Note: Do not enter any other kind of schooling or training. Although beauty and barber schools, business or trade schools and the like, are important, they are not considered "regular" schools for the purpose of this item.*

*Confidential Information*: Information on previous marriage, race, occupation and education is confidential and will not be reproduced on certified copies of your marriage certificate but used for statistical purposes only.

\* Do not leave these items blank. Enter "refused."

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