



APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE OR REGISTRATION PHOTOCOPY/EXTRACT



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|---------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Surname | | Given Name(s) | |
| Residential Address | | City, Province/State, Country | Postal Code |

IMPORTANT: Check the box and sign the statement below if the mailing address is different from your residential address.
 I authorize the Vital Statistics Agency to mail correspondence and my marriage document to the address provided below. Signature **X** _____

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| If Company, Attention: | Mailing Address (If different from Residential Address) | | |
| City, Province/State, Country | Postal Code | Home phone (include area code) | Work phone (include area code) |

| DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|------|------|-------------------------------------|
| Month (e.g. Feb) | Day | Year | City | Province BRITISH COLUMBIA |

| PARTY 1 DETAILS | |
|--|---------------|
| Surname (<i>before marriage</i>) | Given Name(s) |
| Birthplace (City, Prov/State, Country) | |

| PARTY 2 DETAILS | |
|--|---------------|
| Surname (<i>before marriage</i>) | Given Name(s) |
| Birthplace (City, Prov/State, Country) | |

| YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE MARRIAGE | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Other* _____ <small>(*requires written authorization from an eligible applicant)</small> | Reason Certificate Required: _____ Signature: X _____ |

| MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES AND REGISTRATION PHOTOCOPIES/EXTRACTS | | | | |
|---|--|---|---------|--|
| Qty. | Description of Marriage Documents | Estimated Date of Delivery <small>(Note: Add 2-3 weeks for processing time for new marriage events.)</small> | | |
| | | Mail | Courier | Courier** |
| | Marriage certificate - Lists the full name, birthdate, birth place and sex of each party, the date and place of the marriage, the registration date and registration number. Size: 21.6 cm x 17.8 cm. | \$27 | \$60 | Prints in 2 - 5 business days; add mailing time <i>from Victoria</i> to you. Prints next business day; add courier delivery time <i>from Victoria</i> to you. |
| | Registration Photocopy/Extract - Certified copy or extract of the marriage registration. | \$50 | \$60 | Prints within 20 business days; add mailing time <i>from Victoria</i> to you. Prints next business day; add courier delivery time <i>from Victoria</i> to you. |

Courier delivery is **not made to post office boxes, apartment complexes, homes that use Super Box (community) mailboxes, or basement suites. Instead, a delivery notice with instructions is left at the mailing address and the envelope is delivered to the nearest postal outlet. ID and signature are required upon pick up.

| PAYMENT METHOD | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheque† (No postdated cheques) | <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order† | <input type="checkbox"/> Visa | <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard | <input type="checkbox"/> American Express |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Interac/Cash payment may be made in person at any Service BC office. For locations, visit www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca. †If paying by cheque or money order, make payable to the Minister of Finance. </div> | | X _____ | Card holder signature | |
| | | PRINT card holder name as shown on credit card | | |
| Amount Enclosed \$ _____ | Credit Card # _____ | Expiry date _____ | | |

Note: Credit card information is not retained. Upon authorization of the payment request, all credit card information is destroyed.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TO AVOID DELAY

- **Verify that you are eligible** to request a certificate (see Section 3 below).
- **Write your complete address and telephone number clearly on your application.** To authorize the Vital Statistics Agency to send correspondence and your marriage document to a mailing address that is different from your residential address, you **MUST** check the box and provide your signature beside the statement provided on page one. **Without authorization, we cannot process your request.**
- **Complete all sections in full.** If there is information you do not know, include the following three items with your application:
 1. A brief letter explaining why the information is unknown to you.
 2. Photocopies of two pieces of identification (**one piece should be picture ID**).
 3. Written verification of your identity on official letterhead from a physician, lawyer, notary public, or religious representative who has **known you for at least two years**.
- **Enclose the correct payment in Canadian funds.** Payments made by cheque or money order should be made payable to the Minister of Finance. Do not postdate cheques or send cash by mail. A service charge of \$30.00 is levied on all cheques not honoured by the payee's financial institution.

1) FEES

Fees listed on this form are determined under the *Vital Statistics Act Regulation* and are subject to change without notice.

2) INFORMATION PROVIDED

Certificates are printed in UPPER CASE and contain the full name and sex of each party, date and place of the marriage, the registration date, and registration number.

Certified Electronic Extract of a Marriage Registration (Issued for all marriage events occurring on or after January 1, 2000)

This is an extract of the marriage information on file with the Agency issued for marriage events occurring on or after January 1, 2000. This document **cannot be used for identification purposes** and is generally only required for court purposes.

Certified Copy of a Marriage Registration (Issued for all marriage events occurring prior to January 1, 2000)

This is a copy of the original marriage registration completed at the time of marriage. This document **cannot be used for identification purposes** and is generally only required for court purposes.

If you require a certified copy or certified extract of a marriage registration, visit our website at www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events or contact Customer Service at **250 952-2681** (Victoria & Outside B.C.) or toll-free at **1 888 876-1633** (within B.C.) for eligibility information.

3) WHO QUALIFIES TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE?

Marriage certificates may be released to:

- Either party of the marriage.
- A person who has written authorization from either party of the marriage.

OTHER SERVICES - Genealogy Certificate - B.C. RECORDS ONLY

To obtain an application for a Genealogy Certificate, visit our website or contact us by telephone.

Mailing Address: Vital Statistics Agency, PO Box 9657 Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9P3

Telephone: 250 952-2681 (Victoria & Outside B.C.), 1 888 876-1633 (within B.C.)

Web: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events

Apply for services in person at any Service BC Centre. Visit www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca for your nearest location.

This information is collected by the Vital Statistics Agency under section 26(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, and will be used to fulfill the requirements of the *Vital Statistics Act* for the release of marriage information. Should you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact: Manager, Vital Statistics Agency, 250 952-2681, PO Box 9657, Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9P3.