

## Marriage License Requirements

You must obtain a marriage license in the Connecticut town in which the wedding will take place.

Please choose your officiator, who can be either a clergy person or a Justice of the Peace, and set the date of your wedding, before applying for a marriage license.

(Here is a link to the [Bethany Justices of the Peace](#))

You will need to provide us with the name of the person performing the ceremony and their contact information at the time of application.

The applicants must appear in person, but not necessarily together, at the Office of the Town Clerk. Photo ID will be required for each party. The marriage license is valid for 65 days from the date it is initially issued.

The marriage license fee is \$50.00 cash, check or money order made payable to BETHANY TOWN CLERK. If you wish to receive a certified copy of the license after it is returned by the officiator, this can be purchased for an additional \$20.00, cash or check, and will be mailed to the address indicated on the worksheet.

Applicants must be 18 years of age to apply for a license independently. If either party is between the ages of 16 and 17, a probate judge must approve the marriage. For minors under 16 years of age, no marriage license may be issued. If an applicant has a conservator, the conservator must appear at the Office of the Town Clerk with a Government issued Photo ID, proof of conservatorship and a written letter of consent.

The Office of the Town Clerk is open from 8:30AM to 4:00PM Monday through Friday. **After hours by appointment only.**

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