

MARRIAGE LICENSES



## Office Hours: Monday – Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

## OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENSE:

- Both applicants should appear at the Nueces County Clerk's Office.
- Each applicant will need proper identification such as a Driver's License, State ID, or Passport and their Social Security Number.
- <u>If</u> an applicant is 16 17 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must sign a "Parental Consent to Marriage" form (must present proper identification such as a Driver License). If the natural parents are divorced, the parent given custody must sign the consent form and bring with them the custody papers.
- <u>If</u> an applicant is divorced, there is a 30-day waiting period after the divorce decree before they can marry another person. If this waiting period is waived in your divorce decree you will need to produce a copy of the divorce decree. If the applicants are remarrying each other, there is no waiting period.
- <u>If</u> one of the applicants is unable to appear at the Clerk's office, you may submit an "Affidavit of Absent Applicant' for that person.
- A Marriage License is good for 30-days from the date it is issued and there is a 72-hour waiting period from date of issuance.
  - 72-hour waiting period <u>does not</u> apply (waived) to members of US Armed Forces and on Active duty, Workers of the US dept of Defense or under contract with the department, *and for those who have completed a premarital education course*
- Effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 the fee for a Marriage License is \$71.00 "Cash Only".
  - Only State fees <u>waived</u> in accordance with the 80<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session for those who have completed and provided a certificate of completion for the premarital education courses

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 You may purchase your Marriage License in one County and get married anywhere in the State of Texas