New Jersey Department of Health

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

☐ MARRIAGE ☐ REMARRIAGE ☐ CIVIL UNION ☐ REAFFIRMATION OF CIVIL UNION

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT A
(Giving false information constitutes perjury.)

1. Name (First, Middle, Last) *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*

Street Address *(Current Legal Residence) (See Note 1)* | County

Municipality of Residence *(See Note 4)* | State | Zip Code

1a. *Current Name (if different)* | 2. Date of Birth

3. Birthplace | 4. Sex ☐M ☐F | 5. Age *(See Note 2)*

6. Domestic Status (at this time) *(See Notes 3 and 5)*

	Date	Place
☐Single		
☐Widowed		
☐Divorced		
☐Annulled		
☐Current Domestic Partner		
☐Former Domestic Partner		
☐Current Civil Union Partner		
☐Former Civil Union Partner		

For Remarriage to the same spouse, or Reaffirmation of Civil Union to the same partner, enter date and place of original ceremony:

	Date	Place
☐Marriage		
☐Civil Union		

7a. Enter number of times ever Married *(if applicable)*:

7b. Name of Most Recent Spouse *(if any)* *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*:

8a. Enter number of times ever in a Civil Union *(if applicable)*:

8b. Name of Most Recent Civil Union Partner *(if any)* *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*:

9a. Parent's Full Name at Birth | 9b. Birthplace

10a. Parent's Full Name at Birth | 10b. Birthplace

11. Are you related to Applicant B? ☐Yes ☐No
If "YES," how?

DECLARATION OF APPLICANT B
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1. Name (First, Middle, Last) *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*

Street Address *(Current Legal Residence) (See Note 1)* | County

Municipality of Residence *(See Note 4)* | State | Zip Code

1a. *Current Name (if different)* | 2. Date of Birth

3. Birthplace | 4. Sex ☐M ☐F | 5. Age *(See Note 2)*

6. Domestic Status (at this time) *(See Notes 3 and 5)*

	Date	Place
☐Single		
☐Widowed		
☐Divorced		
☐Annulled		
☐Current Domestic Partner		
☐Former Domestic Partner		
☐Current Civil Union Partner		
☐Former Civil Union Partner		

For Remarriage to the same spouse, or Reaffirmation of Civil Union to the same partner, enter date and place of original ceremony:

	Date	Place
☐Marriage		
☐Civil Union		

7a. Enter number of times ever Married *(if applicable)*:

7b. Name of Most Recent Spouse *(if any)* *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*:

8a. Enter number of times ever in a Civil Union *(if applicable)*:

8b. Name of Most Recent Civil Union Partner *(if any)* *(List name given at birth or on birth certificate)*:

9a. Parent's Full Name at Birth | 9b. Birthplace

10a. Parent's Full Name at Birth | 10b. Birthplace

11. Are you related to Applicant A? ☐Yes ☐No
If "YES," how?

INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY *EITHER* APPLICANT

12. In which Incorporated Municipality in New Jersey do you intend for the ceremony to be performed? *(See Note 4)*

13 Intended Date of Ceremony

14. Telephone Number where either applicant can now be reached:

15. Name and mailing address of person who is to perform the ceremony:

16. Mailing Address where you may be reached after the ceremony:

(See Notes on Page 2)

Continue with Declaration of Identifying Witness and Oath.

UPON COMPLETION, APPLICATION IS TO BE RETAINED AS A PERMANENT RECORD.

DECLARATION OF IDENTIFYING WITNESS

(Giving false information constitutes perjury)

1. Name (First, Middle, Last): _____

   Mailing Address (Street/PO Box): _____

   City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

2. Have the applicants correctly stated their ages and usual residences? ☐Yes ☐No

3. Did the applicants make you aware of any legal impediment to their marriage / remarriage / civil union / reaffirmation of civil union? ☐Yes ☐No

   If "Yes, " explain: _____

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANTS AND IDENTIFYING WITNESS

NOTE TO REGISTRAR - Applicants and witness should be told that taking a false oath constitutes perjury, which is punishable by a maximum fine of $7,500.00. In any case where application is made by only one applicant to begin the waiting period, the same identifying witness must return when the second applicant completes the application. In such a case the same witness must sign once again on the line below that on which he/she signed when appearing with the first applicant.

We, who have hereunder signed our names, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that we are not currently ruled mentally incompetent; the answers given by us in this application for a marriage, remarriage, civil union, or reaffirmation of civil union license are true, full and perfect answers to each and all of said questions.

Signature of Applicant A: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Applicant B: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Witness: _____ Date: _____

Second Signature of Witness (if necessary): _____ Date: _____

Sworn (or affirmed) and subscribed before me at _____

this _____ day of _____ , 20 _____ at _____ AM _____ PM

Signature of Registrar: _____

REGISTRAR - DO NOT insert place and date of ceremony or file the application until either the completed certificate or copy thereof is sent to you. Follow-up on all licenses for completion.

License Number: _____ Date of Issue: _____

Ceremony Performed in (City, Borough, Twp.): _____

Date of Ceremony: _____

NOTE 1. This is the permanent home and principal establishment to which, when absent, the applicant intends to return.

NOTE 2. Written consent of both parents is required for the marriage or civil union of any person under eighteen years of age. In addition, if any person is under sixteen, the consent of the parents must be approved in writing by a judge of the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Family Part. Consent of parents is required for the remarriage or reaffirmation of civil union of a minor previously married or joined in a civil union to the same partner in another state.

NOTE 3. When a remarriage or reaffirmation of civil union license is requested, indicate in Question 6 that the parties are already married or joined in a civil union. It is required that proof of the previous marriage or civil union be submitted to you. Common law marriages, which were legal prior to December 1, 1939, must be established by affidavit showing the place and date of the common law marriage contract. The place and date of the previous marriage or civil union should be stated on both the application and the license. The seventy-two hour waiting period is waived. Consent of parents is required for the remarriage or reaffirmation of a civil union of a minor previously joined in a marriage or civil union to the same partner in another state.

NOTE 4. Municipality of residence is the municipality where applicant physically resides, not the mailing address. If both applicants are nonresidents of New Jersey, the application must be made in the municipality where the ceremony will be performed. Registrar should mark the license accordingly.

NOTE 5. The Registrar's review of a divorce decree, dissolution of Civil Union, or termination of Domestic Partnership, submitted with this application, in no way implies the validity of the submitted document. Such determination can only be made by a court of law.

APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS (N. J. S. 37:1-17)	
Social Security Number of Applicant A ___ - __ - ____	Social Security Number of Applicant B ___ - __ - ____
Social Security Numbers shall be kept confidential and may only be released for child support purposes and this document shall not be considered a public record pursuant to P. L. 1963, C.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.).	

The Application (REG-77)

- The same application form is utilized for Marriage, Remarriage, Civil Union and Reaffirmation of Civil Union. The couple can obtain the application form at any local registrar office or access the form on-line; however, the form must be signed in the presence of the licensing officer.
- Block 1 – Name: You are looking for the name that is or would be recorded on the birth certificate.
  - If an individual has had a legal name change or been authorized by court decree, such as a divorce, to assume another name, or changed their name via the Naturalization process – that is the name you will record, regardless of whether their birth certificate has been amended.
- Block 1a – Current name, if different than Block 1: This is typically the name reported if an individual is divorced or widowed and retained their prior married name.
- Street Address: The physical street address where the individual resides and the name of municipality in which they physically live. This is **not** a mailing address. If the individual physically resides within Municipality A, but their mailing address and zip-code is for Municipality B, the mailing information is disregarded.
  - For example; The applicant lives in the municipality of Old Bridge at 1 Main Street; their postal address is 1 Main St, Matawan, NJ 08903. The record is reported as 1 Main St, Old bridge Twp, Middlesex, NJ 08903
- Block 5 – Age: The age reported is the age at the time the individual makes application. (Regardless of whether they will have a birthday prior to the license being issued or the ceremony taking place.

Application Items (continued)

- Block 6 – Domestic Status: The **current** domestic status of the individual – **only** one item can be selected. If a legal annulment has been obtained the domestic status is annulled and the name of the most recent spouse is dashed. This **only** applies to legal annulment, not religious annulment. Religious annulment has no bearing on the domestic status.

- Block 7a/7b – Previous # of marriages/Most Recent Spouse: This information is **only** required if the applicant is applying for a **Marriage License** for all other License types, regardless of the domestic status these fields will be dashed.

- Block 8a/8b – Previous # of civil unions/Most Recent Partner: This information is **only** required if the applicant is applying for a **Civil Union License** for all other License types, regardless of the domestic status these fields will contain a single dash.

- Block 12 – Intended Municipality for ceremony: If either applicant is a resident of NJ, they have the prerogative to have their ceremony anywhere in the State, regardless of where they originally intended to hold the ceremony. If neither applicant is a resident of NJ, then they can **only** have their ceremony in the municipality where they obtain the license.

- Social Security Number – Citizens of the United States must provide their SSN; for individuals who are not citizens record "Not a US Citizen."

  Note: Individuals may reside in the US and not be a citizen. Social Security Numbers can not be released, if you issue a copy of the application you **must** redact the SSN's.

Required documents when applying for a marriage/civil union license

- Proof of identity by presenting a driver's license, passport or state/federal I.D.
- Proof of residency.
- Social security card OR social security number.*
- A witness, 18 years of age or older.
- The $28 application fee (collected at the time of application).
- For a remarriage or reaffirmation of civil union the couple must also supply proof of the original ceremony by providing a copy of the original event.

  - *Social security number is required by law for US citizens and will be kept confidential.
  - Any documents in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified English translation, which shall be returned to the individual after review (you are permitted to make a photocopy for your records if you choose).