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REQUIREMENTS FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION IN BEXAR COUNTY

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT PROOF OF AGE AND IDENTITY. SOME OF THE ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION INCLUDE: A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED BY A STATE IN THE UNITED STATES, OR A CANADIAN PROVINCE THAT IS CURRENT OR HAS NOT EXPIRED MORE THAN TWO YEARS, A UNITED STATES PASSPORT, A CURRENT PASSPORT ISSUED BY A FOREIGN COUNTRY, A CURRENT CONSULAR DOCUMENT ISSUED BY A STATE OR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, AN UNEXPIRED CERTIFICATE OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP; A CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION, A UNITED STATES CITIZEN IDENTIFICATION CARD, A PERMANENT RESIDENT CARD; A TEMPORARY RESIDENT CARD, AN EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION CARD (ISSUED BY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE), AN UNEXPIRED MILITARY IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR ACTIVE DUTY, RESERVE, OR RETIRED PERSONNEL WITH AN ID PHOTOGRAPH, AN ORIGINAL OR CERTIFIED COPY OF A BIRTH CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY A BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS FOR A STATE OR A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT. (Section 2 005 Texas Family Code).

EACH APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO PRESENT THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE).

THE FEE FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE IS \$66 CASH ONLY THE BEXAR COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE WILL NOT ACCEPT CHECKS, CREDIT CARDS, OR DEBIT CARDS

THE GENERAL AGE REQUIREMENT TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS IS EIGHTEEN (18). (Section 2 101 Texas Family Code). APPLICANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 (MINORS) WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETED "CONSENT AND AUTHORIZATION OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN FOR THE MARRIAGE OF A MINOR" FORM THE FORM ON THE COUNTY CLERK'S WEBSITE IS UTILIZED WHEN AN APPLICANT'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESIDES OUTSIDE BEXAR COUNTY. THE FORM FOR APPLICANTS WITH A PARENT OR GUARDIAN WHO RESIDES IN BEXAR COUNTY IS AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS DOES NOT REQUIRE A BLOOD TEST

IF EITHER APPLICANT HAS BEEN DIVORCED BY A DECREE OF A COURT OF THIS STATE, APPLICANT(S) MUST WAIT THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE FINAL DECREE TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE UNLESS WAIVED BY THE COURT (Section 2.009 Texas Family Code).

IF A MARRIAGE CEREMONY HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED BEFORE THE 31ST DAY AFTER THE DATE THE LICENSE WAS ISSUED, THE MARRIAGE LICENSE EXPIRES. (Section 2 201 Texas Family Code). NORMALLY, A MARRIAGE CEREMONY MAY NOT TAKE PLACE DURING THE 72 HOUR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ISSUANCE OF THE MARRIAGE LICENSE. THE 72 HOUR WAITING PERIOD DOES NOT APPLY TO AN APPLICANT WHO MEETS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA.

A) THE APPLICANT IS ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

B) THE APPLICANT COMPLETES A PREMARITAL EDUCATION COURSE APPROVED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS, AND PROVIDES THE PREMARITAL EDUCATION COURSE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE TO THE COUNTY CLERK

C) THE APPLICANT OBTAINS A WRITTEN WAIVER FROM A JUDGE OF A COURT WITH JURISDICTION IN FAMILY LAW CASES (Section 2.204 Texas Family Code).

IT IS THE APPLICANTS RESPONSIBILITY TO SET UP THE APPOINTMENT WITH THE PERSON WHO IS CONDUCTING THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY.

THE BEXAR COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE IS LOCATED ON THE 1ST FLOOR OF THE BEXAR COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 100 DOLOROSA, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS OFFICE HOURS ARE 8:00 A M TO 5:00 P M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT HOLIDAYS.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 210-335-2223.