



County of Clark, State of Nevada
MARRIAGE OFFICIANT

Application for a Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages

This application is intended for individuals **residing** in Clark County who are seeking to obtain a new or renewed *Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages* in the state of Nevada. Permission to perform marriages is granted for a 5-year period and has no limitation on the number of ceremonies that can be performed in Nevada. Please be aware that ordination through a church or religious organization does not provide the legal right to perform marriages in Nevada – permission must be obtained through the County Clerk in the county that you reside.

In order for your application to be processed, we must receive the following:

1. Completed, signed and notarized original ***Application for a Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages*** (*copies not accepted*).
2. A **non-refundable** application fee of **\$55** made payable to **County Clerk** by money order or cashier's check only (personal and business checks are not accepted). A copy of your receipt will be provided to you. If you are an active Military Chaplain duty stationed in Clark County, the application fee and background check requirement are waived, but you must call our office for additional requirements.

Please use the interactive application (fillable PDF) form to ensure all required information is provided and completed correctly. If that is not possible, print the application forms and legibly print and complete them using a fine point black ink pen. All paperwork must be filled out completely and be properly signed and notarized. Incorrect or conflicting information will delay the process and may result in the certificate being denied. **Do not leave blank spaces or unselected checkboxes to questions.**

Processing time for an application is approximately **30** days. Please allow sufficient time for processing if you are planning to perform a wedding ceremony in the near future. Submit all original completed documents (copies are **not** accepted) to address below:

Clark County Clerk's Office
Attn: Marriage Officiant Processing
201 E. Clark Avenue, Box 551604
Las Vegas, NV 89155-1604

Once your application is received and has been reviewed and approved for processing, you will be emailed instructions to complete an online background check (refer to Section B for more information). If you pass your background check, you will be emailed instructions to register for a required in-person training course (refer to Section C for more information). For questions or additional help in completing your application, please contact us at (702) 671-0600.

Please note: If you will be earning money conducting marriage ceremonies and/or services, you need to understand your business licensing requirements. You are encouraged to contact the state and applicable local business licensing offices in Nevada to assist you in determining your legal requirements.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT PERFORMING A MARRIAGE PRIOR TO OBTAINING AUTHORIZATION BY THE COUNTY CLERK IS ILLEGAL AND WILL RESULT IN A CIVIL PENALTY OF UP TO \$1,500.

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SECTION A: APPLICANT INFORMATION

- 1) Full Legal Name: _____
First Middle Last Suffix
- 2) Social Security Number: _____
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- 3) Date of Birth: _____
Month/Day/Year
- 4) Phone Number: _____
(###) ###-####
- 5) Email Address: _____
- 6) Residence Address (physical address where you live):

Street Address City State Zip Code
- 7) Mailing Address (if different from residence address):

Street Address City State Zip Code
- 8) Please read carefully and mark the appropriate response (mark only one selection):
- I am applying to **renew an existing** *Certificate of Permission* issued to me in Clark County, Nevada, and within the period of 90 days before it expires or 90 days after it has already expired; **-or-**
 - I am applying for a **new** *Certificate of Permission* from Clark County, Nevada.
- 9) Please read carefully and mark the appropriate response (mark only one selection):
- I am NOT subject to a court order for the support of a child; **-or-**
 - I am subject to a court order for the support of a child, and in compliance with the order or I am in compliance with a plan approved by the District Attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order; **-or-**
 - I am subject to a court order for the support of a child, and I am NOT in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the District Attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.
- 10) Have you ever had a previous *Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages* issued to you that has been canceled or revoked for a knowing violation of the laws of the state of Nevada or of the United States?
- Yes **NOTE: If yes, contact our office to determine eligibility before proceeding with your application.**
 - No
- 11) Have you been convicted of a felony, released from confinement or completed parole or probation, whichever occurred later, within 10 years before the date of this application?
- Yes **NOTE: If yes, a copy of the disposition of the case must be provided with your application.**
 - No

I am an active Military Chaplain duty stationed in Clark County.

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SECTION B: BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENT

- If you are renewing an existing *Certificate of Permission* as indicated in Section A, a background check is **NOT** required – continue to Section C.
- If you are applying for a new *Certificate of Permission* as indicated in Section A, a background check is required. If your application is approved to process, a notification will be sent to your email address that will instruct you on how to complete the process through a secure online site hosted by ScreeningONE. The non-refundable fee for the background check is \$52 that you will pay by credit card (no other form of payment is accepted) once you complete the online application. **Do not send payment for the background check with this application. Failure to complete the background check requirement within 30 days may result in the denial of your application.**

SECTION C: TRAINING REQUIREMENT

In order to receive your *Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages* and official Marriage Officiant ID card, you will be required to attend a training class to learn the roles, responsibilities and legal requirements for Marriage Officiants in the state of Nevada. Once your application has been processed and your background check passes, a notification will be sent to your email address with instructions on how to enroll for the in-person training course. At the completion of this course, your *Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages* will be issued. Your Marriage Officiant ID card will be mailed to you in 2-3 weeks following the class. **Failure to attend your scheduled class may result in the denial of your application. If you need to reschedule, you must contact our office as soon as possible.**

SECTION D: NOTARIZED VERIFICATION

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 COUNTY OF _____)

_____, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says: that he or she is the Applicant in the foregoing *Application for a Certificate of Permission to Perform Marriages* in the State of Nevada; that he or she has read the foregoing Application and knows the contents thereof; that the same are true of his or her own knowledge, except for such matters therein stated on information and belief, and as to those matters he or she believes them to be true; that he or she acknowledges that he or she is subject to the jurisdiction of the Clark County Clerk with respect to provisions of NRS 122 governing the conduct of persons authorized to perform marriages.

Signature of Applicant

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this

(Apply Notary Stamp/Seal Below)

_____ day of _____, 20_____,

by _____.

Printed name of Applicant (not the notary)

Signature of Notarial Officer