ENTERING INTO A MARRIAGE OR CIVIL UNION IN NEW JERSEY

WHERE SHOULD YOU APPLY? Apply for the marriage license or civil union in the New Jersey municipality where either party resides. **Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.  **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**
If neither applicant is a New Jersey resident, submit the application in the municipality where the marriage ceremony will be performed.

TO OBTAIN A LICENSE? Both parties and one (1) witness over the age of 18 years old must be present. You must sign the application, under oath, in the presence of the issuing authority.

REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE

- Marriage License Application- completed
- Proof of Identity- driver’s license, passport, or state/federal I.D.
- Proof of Residency- proof of residency by one applicant, if a resident of West New York, NJ.
- Social Security Number- if applicable
- One (1) Witness- 18 years if age or older – with proof of identity
- Cost of license: $28.00 - money order only - PAYABLE TO: WNY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- Certificate of Marriage, Divorce, or Death Decree- if applicable. These documents are not required but are helpful to ensure accuracy when reporting names, dates, and place of event.

THERE IS A 72-HOUR WAITING PERIOD BEFORE THE LICENSE IS ISSUED
The waiting period begins when the application is filed with the Local Registrar. There is no 72-hour waiting period for a remarriage; however, you must bring a certified copy of your existing marriage.

Once the license is issued, it is good for 30 DAYS from the date of issuance.

**Any documents in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified English translation.