



APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE OR REGISTRATION PHOTOCOPY

Did you know that you can save yourself time and effort by ordering your certificate using our on-line electronic ordering system? This service is secure and easy to use and does not cost anything additional. Click here or type <https://www.vs.gov.bc.ca/ecos/> into your Internet Browser.

APPLICANT AND MAILING ADDRESS INFORMATION			
NOTE: Please PRINT your name, address and identifying information clearly. This portion will be used when mailing your service or correspondence. Rush courier packages need to be signed for.			FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: AFS#
SURNAME		GIVEN NAMES	
MAILING ADDRESS			
CITY, PROVINCE/STATE, COUNTRY			POSTAL CODE
HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE)	WORK TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE)	IF COMPANY, ATTENTION	
E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)			

DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE				
MONTH (ex: Feb)	DAY	YEAR	CITY	PROVINCE BRITISH COLUMBIA

PARTY 1 DETAILS	
SURNAME (BEFORE MARRIAGE)	GIVEN NAME(S)
BIRTHPLACE (CITY, PROV/STATE, COUNTRY)	

PARTY 2 DETAILS	
SURNAME (BEFORE MARRIAGE)	GIVEN NAME(S)
BIRTHPLACE (CITY, PROV/STATE, COUNTRY)	

NUMBER OF SERVICES REQUIRED (see reverse for fee information and limits on number of certificates)

Large and small certificates are mailed separately

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (Small) } regular service - \$27.00 per certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration Photocopy, regular service - \$50.00 per photocopy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (Large) } (average 2 to 5 business days processing time) | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration Photocopy, Courier Service* - \$60.00 per event. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (Small) } Courier Service* \$60.00 per event. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (Large) } | |

*NOTE: All services, other than courier services, will be mailed. Courier service requests are produced the next business day. Delivery time is dependent on shipping destination. Fee includes the cost of the search of our records. A certificate will be generated upon confirmation of a record held. If no record of the event is found, the fee will be applied to the search process. Courier Service will not be attempted at the following residence types: post office box, apartment complex, homes that utilize Super Box mailboxes and Basement suites. Instead, a delivery notice with instructions will be left at those residences and the package delivered to the nearest postal outlet. ID and signature will be required upon pick up.

YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO MARRIAGE: Self *Other _____ (*requires written authorization from an eligible applicant)

Reason Certificate Required: _____

YOUR SIGNATURE (written) : _____

PAYMENT METHODS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque * * Postdated cheques not accepted	<input type="checkbox"/> Money Order
<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard
<input type="checkbox"/> American Express	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____	Interac/Cash payment may be made in person at one of our three offices. Cheque or money order made payable to the Minister of Finance.
Credit Card # _____	Card holder signature _____
	PRINT Card holder name as shown on Credit Card _____
	Expiry Date _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TO AVOID DELAY

- * Complete all sections in full (All requests with incomplete information must be accompanied by a signed, written explanation for the omission and include two pieces of identification, including one picture ID, and written verification of identity on official letterhead from a Physician, Lawyer, Notary Public, or Religious Representative who has known you for at least two years.)
- * Be sure you are authorized to make the request (see Section 3 below).
- * It is against postal regulations to send cash through the mail. Payment in **Canadian funds** should be forwarded by cheque, bank draft or money order made **payable to the Minister of Finance**. Postdated cheques not accepted. Credit card payments are accepted, please complete the Credit Card portion on the front of this form.
- * Be sure your address and telephone number are correct and clear.
- * A service charge of \$30.00 will be levied on all cheques not honoured by the payees financial institution.

1) FEES

Fees as noted for each requested copy on the front of this form. The following conditions apply: where a certificate or registration photocopy cannot be issued because no record exists or the applicant has not supplied sufficient or correct information, a \$27.00 search fee will be assessed. **All fees subject to change. If ordering after April 1, 2014, contact our office for current fees.*

2) INFORMATION PROVIDED

Certificates contain the following information:

Marriage Small - name of each party, date, place, registration date, and registration number

Marriage Large - same as small plus birthdates and places of birth of each party

Photocopies

- a) Registration photocopies are rarely needed by citizens, are not required for court purposes, and are not suitable for identification purposes.
- b) Registration photocopies contain all the information about the event as recorded at the time, and are rarely needed for reasons other than personal records.
- c) Should you believe that you require a certified photocopy of a marriage event registration, please visit our web site at: **www.vs.gov.bc.ca** or contact our customer enquiry line at **250 952-2681** (Victoria & Outside BC) or toll free at **1-888-876-1633** (within BC) for eligibility information.

3) WHO QUALIFIES TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

Marriage certificates may be released to:

- a) Either party of the marriage
- b) A person who has written authorization of either party to the marriage

OTHER SERVICE - For Records held in British Columbia only

Genealogy Registration Photocopy

To obtain an application for this service, please visit our web site or contact one of our offices by telephone or in person.

MAILING ADDRESS

Vital Statistics Agency
PO Box 9657 STN PROV GOVT
Victoria BC V8W 9P3

ENQUIRIES & CREDIT CARD ORDERS

Telephone: **250 952-2681** (Victoria & Outside BC)
Toll free: **1 888 876-1633** (within BC)

OR VISIT ONE OF OUR OFFICES

VICTORIA:

818 Fort Street
Victoria BC

VANCOUVER:

250 - 605 Robson Street
Vancouver BC

KELOWNA:

305 - 478 Bernard Avenue
Kelowna BC

Check our Web Site at: <http://www.vs.gov.bc.ca>

The information on this form is collected under the authority of the **Vital Statistics Act** (RSBC 1996, c.479, Sec. 37). The information provided will be used to fulfill the requirements of the **Vital Statistics Act** for the release of marriage information. If you have any questions about the collection or use of this information, please contact a Vital Statistics Client Service Representative at 250-952-2681, or write to the mailing address given above.