

MARRIAGE LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Houghton County Clerk's Office
401 E. Houghton Avenue
Houghton, MI 49931
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Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

FEES:

Houghton County Residents..... \$20.00
Non Michigan Residents..... \$30.00
Waiver of 3-Day waiting period..... \$25.00

- A Marriage License is valid for 30 days after the issue date. You cannot apply for the Marriage License more than 33 days before the date of marriage.
- After the application is complete, there is a three-day waiting period. You will be told when you apply when you can come back to the County Clerk's Office and pick your license up. The three-day waiting period can be waived with the approval from the County Clerk for a fee of \$25.00.

BRING THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE:

- Certified Birth Certificates
- Current Photograph Identifications
- Social Security Numbers (cards are not required)

RESIDENCY:

- A person must apply for a Marriage License in the County Clerk's Office of the County in which either the man or woman reside, but can get married anywhere in the State of Michigan.
- If both parties are non-Michigan residents, the Marriage License must be obtained from the County Clerk in the County in which the marriage is to be performed.

AGE REQUIREMENT:

- 18 years of age and older without parental consent
- 16-17 years of age need parental consent
- 15 years of age and under must go through Probate Court

WITNESS REQUIREMENT:

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- There must be two witnesses present at the marriage ceremony