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MARRIAGE APPLICATION INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: A Marriage License allows a couple to marry in Guam. It is not proof of marriage. Marriage License(s) issued in Guam is for marriages to be performed in Guam ONLY.

Unless a marriage waiver is requested, **NO** license shall be issued/released until the expiration of five (5) working days, unless for a good cause shown. Keep in mind that even if the five (5) working days has lapsed, you do not have to pick up the marriage license until you are in fact ready to marry.

Once you have picked up your marriage license, you **must** complete the marriage within sixty (60) days of the date of issue. If you do not get married within the (60) days and/or the sixty (60) days has expired, the license will no longer be valid and you **must first return the unused/expired license before** you are able to reapply. Please note that upon reapplying you **must pay pertinent fee(s) once again**.

Understandably, where you get married or who performs /solemnizes the marriage here on Guam, (you) the applicant(s) must make all the arrangements.

STEPS TO FOLLOW:

NOTE: Please follow these important steps to ensure full completion of the marriage licensing process.

Step One:

WHO MAY PERFORM/SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE

1. The Governor or Lieutenant Governor of Guam.
2. Judges or delegated Senators.
3. Ordained Clergyman or Priests from their respective **on-island** religious order.
4. The Director or Deputy Director of the Department of Administration.
5. The Director of Department of Public Health & Social Services.
6. The Speaker of the Guam Legislature or his designee.
7. Mayor /Vice Mayor (Community Development Fund \$50.00)

Step Two:

Once the ceremony has been performed, **PLEASE ENSURE** that you turn in your Marriage License within ten (10) days of the commencement date to the Office of Vital Statistics, Department of Public Health & Social Services in Mangilao, Route 10 (Vietnam Veteran's Highway). ONLY the Office of Vital Statistics can register and certify the Marriage License. You may contact our office at 735-7280.

When visiting the Office of Vital Statistics to register your marriage, we recommend that you also request for multiple certified copies of your marriage certificate as this may be required by the military, immigration, and/or name change. The cost for a certified copy of a **MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE IS \$10.00 EACH**.

YOU MAY PICK UP YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE

STARTING _____ Monday thru Friday 8:00am-3:30pm

LICENSE # _____