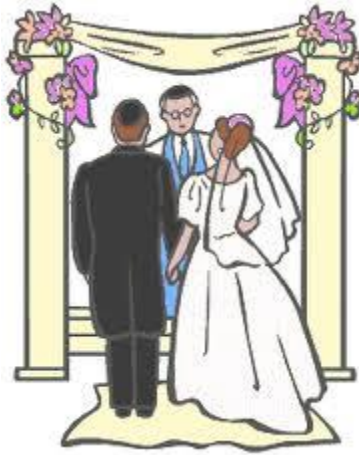


Minister/Officiant Information



Registry

No registration is required to perform marriage ceremonies in Washington State. You are not required to present credentials or notify the County.

Those Qualified to Perform a Ceremony

Marriage statutes specify that a qualifying officiant be any regularly licensed or ordained minister or any priest, imam, rabbi, or similar official of any religious organization. Additionally, judges as listed in [RCW 26.04.050](#).

Minister Duties

1. **Verify that the license is valid.** Ensure that the date of marriage falls between the valid dates specified at the top of the Department of Health (DOH) Certificate of Marriage.
2. **Complete the Officiant section** at the bottom of the form. Gather signatures of the couple, witnesses, and yourself.
Use black ink only.
 - *Tip – Field ‘Type of Ceremony’ should be marked as religious when ceremony is performed by a minister of any type.*
3. **Ensure** that all boxes in the officiant section of the DOH Certificate of Marriage have been completed.
4. **Return the original signed certificate to this office promptly.** Couples need to prove they are married in order to make changes to health coverage or legal name, so your promptness is appreciated.
5. **The return envelope** should already contain another envelope addressed to the couple. Add the completed DOH Marriage Certificate to the large envelope and return both to us.
6. **Retain the ‘officiant copy’** of the marriage license for your records.

Completion Guide for the Commemorative License



M _____ Spouse Name *of* _____ City of Residence *of* _____ State of Residence
M _____ Spouse Name *of* _____ City of Residence *of* _____ State of Residence

were by me united in

Holy Matrimony

according to the ordinance of GOD and the laws of _____ Washington

at _____ City of Ceremony *on the* _____ Day *day of* _____ Month _____ Year

Witness

Officiant

Witness

Officiant Address

Chelan County Commemorative Marriage Certificate

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