



# TOWN OF NORFOLK

## Town Clerk's Office

ONE LIBERTY LANE  
NORFOLK, MASSACHUSETTS 02056

### HOW TO OBTAIN A MARRIAGE LICENSE

- All people who marry in Massachusetts must have a marriage license issued in Massachusetts. An out-of-state license cannot be used.
- To apply for a marriage license, *both parties must appear together* to complete the required documentation. This is called “filing your Intentions”. This applies to both residents and non-residents.
- You may file your intentions at any city/town clerk’s office.
- The current fee for filing intentions in Norfolk is \$40.00
- The age restriction in Massachusetts is 18 years of age and can only be waived with a Court Order.
- Medical certificates are no longer necessary
- Once the filing is complete, there is a 3 day waiting period before the license will be released. This waiting period can only be waived with a Court Order
- The marriage license is valid for 60 days and must be used within that time period or returned to the Town Clerk’s Office where it was obtained.
- The license is given to the officiant at the marriage ceremony. The officiant will complete the certificate and return it to the Town Clerk’s Office.
- Once the license has been completed and returned, it will be filed with the State Registry of Vital Records and will be on file in the Town Clerk’s Office.
- Certified copies of the marriage certificate may be obtained at any time. The cost is \$10.00 per copy.