Marriage License Information

1. Marriage Licenses are issued on Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
2. The fee for a Marriage License is forty dollars (Cash only).
3. A Marriage Ceremony performed by the court is twenty dollars. (Cash only)
4. A certified copy of a marriage license is five dollars.
5. South Carolina law requires a 24-hour waiting period from the time of application until the license is issued.

For example: *If you apply for a license at 2:00 p.m. on a Tuesday, you can pick it up no sooner than 2:00pm on a Wednesday.*
Once again I would like to congratulate you on this most wonderful occasion. If you have any questions or concerns about your marriage license, please contact the Orangeburg County Probate Court at (803) 533-6280. I wish you both the very best.

Sincerely,

Pandora Jones-Glover
Orangeburg County Probate Judge

“Only ministers of the Gospel or accepted Jewish rabbi and officers authorized to administer oaths in this State are authorized to administer a marriage ceremony in this State.”

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**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Does the marriage license have an expiration date?**
There is no expiration date on a marriage license, so regardless of when you apply, the license will remain valid until the ceremony is performed.

**Is a marriage license issued in South Carolina good for any state?**
A marriage licenses issued in South Carolina is good only for South Carolina

**Should I schedule appointment to apply for a marriage license?**
No, you do not have to schedule an appointment to apply for a marriage license. The court has a walk-in policy from 8:30a.m. until 4:30p.m

**What should we do with the marriage license after the ceremony?**
The newlyweds will keep a copy and the person performing the ceremony will then return the other two copies to the court.

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**Requirement to apply for a Marriage License**

1. Picture identification (driver’s license, ID Card, etc.)

2. Social Security Card. If you do not have a Social Security Card, any legal document with your name and social security number will be acceptable.

   Or

   Alien Identification Number *(If you do not have a Social Security Number.)*

3. Both the bride and groom must be present to apply. There are special requirements for brides/grooms under the age of 18. Please contact the court for additional information.