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APPLICATION FORM – Certificate of no Impediment

Only complete this form if you reside in Guernsey and are getting married in another jurisdiction and the authorities where you are getting married have asked you to supply a certificate of no impediment.

The application must be submitted in good time as a notice of marriage is required to be published for a minimum of 21 clear days (23 days) before a certificate of no impediment can be issued.

There is a fee (currently £139.00) to process and issue each certificate of no impediment. Once we have checked and accepted your application, we will contact you for payment and arrange a meeting with you. At the meeting we will need to see your original supporting documents.

If both parties to the marriage require a certificate of no impediment, then complete separate application forms (a form each) and you will each be charged the fee.

You may need to have this document apostilled, please check with the authorities in the jurisdiction you are marrying in. (this service can be provided at the Greffe).

Please email completed application form and supporting documents to wedding@guernseyroyalcourt.gg

Proof of identification, address marital status and immigration status if applicable must accompany this document. See below for required documents.

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Your details	Applicant
Title (delete as appropriate)	Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other
Surname	
Forenames	
<p>Previous names and previous marriages/civil partnerships - please attach relevant documents to show each of your former names. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Birth or adoption certificate (showing names of your parents) Previous marriage or civil partnership certificate Deed poll <p>If any of these events happened in the Bailiwick of Guernsey and you cannot find your document please indicate and we will be able to check our records. If documents are not in English see note 1 below.</p>	

Date of Birth	Day Month Year	<p>Please confirm your address by attaching a copy of either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bank Statement, Recent Utility Bill etc. with that address shown - Your current address will be the one which appears on your marriage certificate. If you move between now and your marriage please inform us so that your marriage certificate is sent to the correct address.
Address		
Post Code		
If you have lived at this address for less than 3 months please give previous address.		

Sex	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Male <input type="checkbox"/>
Nationality		
Occupation		
<p>Please attach a copy of the photo page of your passport. If you do not have a passport attach another form of photo identification such as a driving licence.</p>		

Information	Applicant
Immigration Status in the Bailiwick. Please see note 2 below	
Have you ever been married or in a civil partnership?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how did the most recent marriage or civil partnership end (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorce <input type="checkbox"/> Dissolution of civil partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Death of spouse/civil partner

If previously married or in a civil partnership, please attach either

- Death certificate of former spouse or civil partner
- COPY of final divorce order/decreed **if you divorced outside the British Isles please see note 3. below**
- Dissolution of civil partnership

These documents are required for the most recent marriage or civil partnership only.

Details of the person you intend to marry

Title (delete as appropriate)	Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other
Sex	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Surname	
Forenames	
Date of birth	
Occupation	
Full address including post code	

The Marriage

Date of intended marriage	
Time of intended marriage	
Location of intended marriage (Full postal address)	

Applicant Contact details

Contact daytime telephone number	
Mobile telephone number	
Email address	

Declaration

I declare that I have read the information **in note 4.below** and that to the best of my knowledge and belief there are no legal reasons why the proposed marriage may not take place, I confirm that I am freely consenting to the proposed marriage. I understand that if I sign this declaration knowing or believing this statement to be false I commit an offence.

Signature applicant

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Note 1

If any of the documents that are required are not in English then we will also need an official translation to accompany them. You can ask this to be done by any reputable translation company or if it is being done by an individual they must have recognised qualifications and we also need confirmation of these qualifications. You cannot provide the translation yourself or ask a friend or relative unless they have the necessary qualifications.

Note 2

Immigration

If you are the holder of a British or Irish passport please put British or Irish.

If you are not a British or Irish Passport holder but are currently legally resident in Bailiwick of Guernsey please attach a copy of your visa or proof of your lawful residence.

Note 3

Please note that if you were divorced outside the British Isles you will need to submit a written opinion from a Guernsey Advocate that the divorce would be legally recognised in The Bailiwick of Guernsey.

Note 4.

GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON MARRIAGE

Prohibited degrees.

1. (1) It shall not be lawful for two persons to marry if one of them is, in relation to the other –

- (a) a parent or grandparent,
- (b) a sibling,
- (c) a sibling of a parent or grandparent,

(d) a child or grandchild,

(e) a child or grandchild of a sibling,

(f) an adoptive parent or child, or a former adoptive parent or child,

and a reference to a sibling shall include a reference to a brother, sister, half-brother or half-sister.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), it shall not be lawful for two persons to marry if one of them is in relation to the other –

- (a) a child or grandchild of a former spouse,
- (b) a child or grandchild of a former civil partner,
- (c) the former spouse of a parent or grandparent, or
- (d) the former civil partner of a parent or grandparent.

(3) Any such marriage as is mentioned in subsection (2) shall not be void by reason only of affinity if both the parties to the marriage have attained the age of 18 years at the time of the marriage and the younger party has not at any time before attaining the age of 18 years been a child of the family in relation to the other party.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (3), "**child of the family**", in relation to any person, means a child who has lived in the same household as that person and been treated by that person as a child of that person's family.

(5) Any reference in this section to a relationship between two persons by blood shall include such a relationship without regard to whether such relationship arises by lawful marriage.

(6) Where two persons consent to or acquiesce in a marriage in contravention of this section, such marriage is void.

Persons already married or in civil partnership.

2. (1) It shall not be lawful for two persons to marry if, at the time of the marriage –

- (a) either of them is already lawfully married, or
- (b) either of them is a civil partner or, for the avoidance of doubt, they are civil partners of each other.

(2) Where two persons consent to or acquiesce in a marriage in contravention of this section, such marriage is void.

Minimum age for marriage.

3. (1) It shall not be lawful for two persons to marry if, at the time of the marriage, either of them is under the age of 16 years.

(2) Where two persons consent to or acquiesce in a marriage in contravention of this section, such marriage is void.

Both parties to the marriage must freely consent to the marriage and be capable of consenting to the marriage.