

Marriage License Quick Reference — All 50 States

MarriageLicenseLocal.com | Fees, Waiting Periods & Validity Windows

State-by-State Marriage License Quick Reference

Fees are typical ranges — exact amounts vary by county within each state

State	Waiting Period	Waivable?	License Valid	Fee Range	Key Notes
Alabama	None	—	30 days	\$25–\$40	
Alaska	3 days	Yes	1 year	\$60–\$80	
Arizona	None	—	1 year	\$72–\$83	Superior court issues license
Arkansas	None	—	60 days	\$35–\$60	
California	None	—	90 days	\$35–\$110	Varies widely by county
Colorado	None	—	35 days	\$30–\$55	Short validity — apply close to ceremony
Connecticut	None	—	65 days	\$30–\$50	
Delaware	None	—	30 days	\$50–\$60	
Florida	3 days	Yes*	60 days	\$86–\$115	*Auto-waived: non-residents or course completers
Georgia	None	—	1 year	\$56–\$75	Probate court issues license
Hawaii	None	—	30 days	\$65	
Idaho	None	—	1 year	\$28–\$35	
Illinois	24 hrs	No	60 days	\$30–\$35	Appointment required in many counties
Indiana	None	—	60 days	\$18–\$60	60-day limit catches couples off guard
Iowa	None	—	30 days	\$35	
Kansas	None	—	180 days	\$80–\$95	30-day post-divorce wait before remarriage
Kentucky	None	—	1 year	\$35–\$46	
Louisiana	None	—	30 days	\$25–\$32	
Maine	None	—	90 days	\$40	
Maryland	48 hrs	Partial	1 year	\$55–\$95	48-hr wait for non-residents; waived for residents
Massachusetts	None	—	60 days	\$25–\$30	Both must appear at city/town clerk
Michigan	3 days	Yes	33 days	\$20–\$30	33-day validity is unusually short
Minnesota	5 days	Yes	180 days	\$85–\$115	Longest wait period in the US
Mississippi	None	—	30 days	\$21	
Missouri	None	—	30 days	\$45–\$60	Short validity — apply close to ceremony
Montana	None	—	180 days	\$53	
Nebraska	None	—	1 year	\$15–\$25	6-month post-divorce wait before remarriage
Nevada	None	—	1 year	\$102	Clark Co. open 8AM–midnight 365 days/yr
New Hampshire	None	—	90 days	\$45	

Marriage License Quick Reference — All 50 States

MarriageLicenseLocal.com | Fees, Waiting Periods & Validity Windows

State	Waiting Period	Waivable?	License Valid	Fee Range	Key Notes
New Jersey	None	—	30 days	\$28	Both must appear at local registrar
New Mexico	None	—	1 year	\$25–\$35	
New York	24 hrs	Yes	60 days	\$35–\$40	Waivable in some circumstances
North Carolina	None	—	60 days	\$50–\$60	Register of Deeds issues license
North Dakota	None	—	60 days	\$30	
Ohio	5 days	Yes	60 days	\$40–\$75	Probate court issues license; waivable by judge
Oklahoma	None	—	10 days	\$50	Shortest validity in the US — apply right before
Oregon	None	—	60 days	\$60	
Pennsylvania	None	—	60 days	\$40–\$70	3-day wait for some circumstances
Rhode Island	None	—	90 days	\$24	
South Carolina	24 hrs	Yes*	1 year	\$25–\$50	*Auto-waived for non-SC residents
South Dakota	None	—	20 days	\$40	Short validity window
Tennessee	None	—	1 year	\$97–\$102	Course discount available
Texas	72 hrs	Yes	90 days	\$22–\$82	Waivable by judge; \$60 discount with course
Utah	None	—	30 days	\$35–\$40	
Vermont	None	—	60 days	\$45	
Virginia	None	—	60 days	\$30–\$45	Circuit court clerk issues license
Washington	3 days	Yes	60 days	\$63–\$75	
West Virginia	None	—	30 days	\$25–\$35	
Wisconsin	5 days	Yes	30 days	\$110–\$115	5-day wait + only 30 days validity
Wyoming	None	—	1 year	\$25–\$30	

Key: Waiting periods shown are between license issuance and ceremony. Most are waivable by a judge — see marriagelicenselocal.com/articles/waiting-periods.html for the exact waiver process in your state. Fee ranges reflect typical county-level variation within each state. Oklahoma's 10-day validity is the shortest in the US; apply no more than 1 week before your ceremony. Wisconsin's combination of a 5-day wait AND 30-day validity requires careful timing.