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Our office is open Monday thru Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm (*closed daily 12pm – 1pm*) *please arrive no later than* **4:00pm to obtain a Marriage License**

If you wish to be married at the courthouse, you will need to contact the County Court Office Room 201 at 402-296-9334 to make an appointment. There is not a waiting period or blood test requirement in Nebraska. If you have had your name legally changed, please bring documentation.

MARRIAGE LICENSE – the following information is required in order to obtain a marriage license in Cass County, Nebraska.

<u>Marriage Worksheet</u>: Available online or at the County Clerk's Office. *Identification Requirements*: Both applicants must provide a valid driver's license, certified birth certificate or a passport with photo. Identification must be in English or must have a certified translation attached.

*Both applicants must be present to sign the Application. Minors must have a certified birth certificate.

You will need to know all of the information below: (Birth Certificates will come in handy for this info)
<u>Minors:</u> For applicants 17-18 years of age, a <u>Consent Form</u> needs to be completed by his or her parent or legal guardian in the presence of the County Clerk, her deputy or a Notary Public. The consent form can be printed from this website, picked up in our office, or the parent/guardian must accompany the couple when coming in for the license.

<u>Parents' Information</u>: We will need parents' full names (first, middle and last name, as well as maiden name for mothers), along with city and state of their birth.

Social Security Number: For statistical purposes and possible use in child support collection, we will need both parties' social security numbers. If a social security number has been applied for, please indicate this. If one or both of the applicants does not have a social security number an <u>Affidavit</u> to that effect will need to be completed.

Previous Marriage: If either party has been married before, we will need to know how the marriage ended (death, dissolution or annulment) and on what date it ended. If the marriage ended in dissolution, we will need the date that the Decree of Dissolution was signed by the Judge. (Can remarry six months after final or upon the death of one of the parties)

Fee: The Marriage License fee is \$25.00 plus \$9.00 for a Certified Copy, Total \$34.00

<u>Certified Copy:</u> A certified copy of your marriage license is necessary for Social Security purposes, insurance and financial purposes, or for changing the name on a professional license. One will be prepared and sent to you once it has been returned to our office after the ceremony. The charge for certified copies is \$9.00 per requested copy. See Request for Certified Marriage License Form for new or additional requests. No out of state checks accepted, cash or money order only.

If an interpreter is needed, the interpreter will need to complete an <u>Affidavit of Interpreter</u> in the presence of the County Clerk, her deputy or a Notary Public. The interpreter must also accompany the couple when completing the marriage license application process. The County does not provide interpreters.

*Once the marriage license has been issued, the marriage can take place anywhere within the State of Nebraska for up to one year from the date of issuance.