

**CONFIDENTIAL LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE
WORKSHEET
MUST BE LEGIBLE**

FIRST PERSON DATA

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Bride _____ Groom _____

1A. NAME – FIRST (GIVEN)		1B. MIDDLE	1C. CURRENT LAST	1D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (If different than 1C)	2. DATE OF BIRTH – MONTH/DAY/YEAR
3. STATE OF BIRTH	4. NUMBER OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES	5. LAST MARRIAGE/SRDP ENDED BY: DEATH DISSOLUTION ANNULMENT TERM SRDP N/A			5B. DATE MARRIAGE ENDED (MM/D/CCYY)
6. ADDRESS		MAILING ADDRESS-IF DIFFERENT	7. CITY	8. STATE/COUNTRY	9. ZIP CODE
10A. FULL NAME OF FATHER	10B. STATE OF BIRTH	11A. FULL NAME OF MOTHER (MAIDEN)		11B. STATE OF BIRTH	

SECOND PERSON DATA

Bride _____ Groom _____

12A. NAME – FIRST (GIVEN)		12B. MIDDLE	12C. CURRENT LAST	12D. LAST NAME AT BIRTH (If different than 12C)	13. DATE OF BIRTH – MONTH/DAY/YEAR
14. STATE OF BIRTH	15. NUMBER OF PREVIOUS MARRIAGES	16A. LAST MARRIAGE/SRDP ENDED BY: DEATH DISSOLUTION ANNULMENT TERM SRDP N/A			16B. DATE MARRIAGE ENDED (MM/D/CCYY)
17. ADDRESS		MAILING ADDRESS-IF DIFFERENT	18. CITY	19. STATE/COUNTRY	20. ZIP CODE
21A. FULL NAME OF FATHER	21B. STATE OF BIRTH	22A. FULL NAME OF MOTHER (MAIDEN)		22B. STATE OF BIRTH	

NEW MIDDLE AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 1A-1D (IF ANY) FOR USE UPON SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE (SEE REVERSE FOR INFORMATION)

30A. FIRST (MUST BE SAME AS 1A)	30B. MIDDLE	30C. LAST
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NEW MIDDLE AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 12A-12D (IF ANY) FOR USE UPON SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE (SEE REVERSE FOR INFORMATION)

31A. FIRST (MUST BE SAME AS 12A)	31B. MIDDLE	31C. LAST
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THE NAME EQUALITY ACT OF 2007

The Name Equality Act of 2007 (Chapter 567, Statutes of 2007 (AB 102)) became effective January 1, 2009, and was amended (Chapter 512, Statutes of 2009 (AB 1143)) effective January 1, 2010.

Family Code, Section 306.5 provides that at the time of application for a marriage license, one or both parties to the marriage may elect to change the middle or last names, or both, by which that party wishes to be known after solemnization of the marriage by entering that information on the marriage license application. **You are not required to change your name, nor are parties required to have the same name.**

A person may adopt any of the following ***middle names***:

- ◆ The current last name of the other spouse
- ◆ The last name of either spouse given at birth
- ◆ A hyphenated combination of the current middle name and the current last name of the person or spouse
- ◆ A hyphenated combination of the current middle name and the last name given at birth of the person or spouse

A person may adopt any of the following ***last names***:

- ◆ The current last name of the other spouse
- ◆ The last name of either spouse given at birth
- ◆ A name combining into a single last name all or a segment of the current last name or the last name of either spouse given at birth. (A segment is a contiguous portion of the name; it is an identifiable match of a portion of the current last name or the last name given at birth of either spouse (Fields 1C, 1D, 12C, 12D). The segment may not omit or add new letters and the letters may not be changed around to create an entirely different segment that does not match a portion of the current last name or the last name given at birth of either spouse.)
- ◆ Hyphenated combination of last names (Hyphenated middle and/or last names ***may or may not*** include an actual hyphen (-) between the names. This should be decided by the party wishing to hyphenate their name.)

NOTE: You may ***not*** change your ***first name*** using this process. **IMPORTANT: You may not amend the marriage license after it has been issued to add or change the name you wish to be known as after you are married. The name you indicate on the marriage license application will be your name on the marriage license/certificate and cannot be changed by the County Clerk.**

If one or both parties do not wish to identify a new name on the marriage license, fields 30A through 31C, as applicable, on the marriage license will be completed with two single dashes. You may not change the information on the marriage license after it has been issued by the County Clerk, unless a clerical error has occurred. (A “clerical error” is when the information shown on the marriage license differs from that shown on the application for a marriage license.)

The marriage certificate is used by multiple local, state, federal and private agencies, each of which have different rules and/or regulations regarding what documents are acceptable to change your name on their records following marriage. It is recommended that you contact these agencies to verify their requirements ***prior to applying for your marriage license.***

It is unlawful for our employees to answer questions of legal nature. County Clerk staff cannot advise you how to complete the marriage license application as it relates to your entry of a new name or retention of your former name on the marriage license application. For your protection, if you have any questions regarding whether you should or should not list your new name on the marriage license application, and/or how the Name Equality Act of 2007 may affect you, please consult an attorney prior to applying for your marriage license.

We, the undersigned, have reviewed the information above pertaining to The Name Equality Act of 2007. We understand the information provided and that the new name fields 30A thru 31C cannot be changed or amended after the license has been issued by the County Clerk.

Date
(First Person Signature)

Date
(Second Person Signature)