

# Instructions for the person performing the marriage ceremony

#### COMPLETING THE MARRIAGE LICENSE

Prior to performing a ceremony, the person solemnizing the marriage must verify the couple possesses a valid, unexpired California marriage license.

- ✓ Please complete in dark ink, preferably black. **Do not use** gel pens, erasable pens or pencils.
- ✓ All information must be legible.
- ✓ Make **NO ALTERATIONS, ERASURES, STRIKEOVERS OR WHITEOUTS** on the marriage license.
- ✓ Licenses with coffee or visible stains are not acceptable for registration
- ✓ Licenses deemed unacceptable for registration will result in a \$40.00 duplicate license fee.(family code 360)
- ✓ All signatures must fit within box (FIELDS 26A, 27A & 29A)

## WITNESS-Required Information (Public Marriage License Only)

1. Signature of 1st witness (FIELD 26A) 4. Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> witness (FIELD 27A) 5. Printed Name of 2<sup>nd</sup> witness (FIELD 27B) 2. *Printed name* of 1<sup>st</sup> witness (FIELD 26B) 6. Address of 2<sup>nd</sup> witness (FIELD 27C) 3. Address of first witness (FIELD C) 26A\_SIGNATURE OF WITHESS 20A. NAME OF PERSON WITHESSING MARRIAGE (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY) WITNESSIES) AEQUIRED, NO MORE AN TWO ALLOMED) (1) George Washington Smith : (2) George Washington Smith EDORESS, CITY, STATE-COUNTRY, AND ZIP CODE 3) 987 Real Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93101 TA SIGNATURE OF WITNESS 278 NAME OF PERSON WITNESSING MARRIAGE (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY) Anna Eleanor Johnson (5)Anna Eleanor Johnson ADDRESS, CITY, STATE/COUNTRY, AND ZIP CODE (6) 246 Dream Road, Goleta, CA 93117

## **CERTIFICATION OF PERSON SOLEMNIZING MARRIAGE**

- 7. Enter date ceremony was performed in the following format: MM/DD/YYYY (FIELD 28A)
- 8. Enter **city or town** where ceremony was performed (Do not list landmarks, wineries or park names) If the ceremony is conducted outside of city limits, enter nearest city or town. **(FIELD 28B) DO NOT ABBREVIATE**
- 9. Enter county where ceremony was performed. (FIELD 28C) DO NOT ABBREVIATE
- 10. Signature of person performing ceremony (FIELD 29A)
- 11. Enter your **denomination** or non-denominational or the name of the online service you were ordained by. *California judges or officiants authorized by a government entity may enter a single dash (-). (FIELD29B*)
- 12. Enter your full name. (FIELD29C)
- 13. Enter your official title (Priest, Rabbi, Reverend, Minister, Deputy Commissioner of Civil Marriages, etc.) (FIELD 29D)
- 14. Enter your full mailing address including city, state & zip code. (FIELD29E)

| 28A DATE OF MARRIAGE (MM/DD/CCYY) 02/14/2013  | 8 San Lui | F MARRIAGE<br>S Obispo             | 28C COUNTY OF MARRIAGE  9 San Luis Obispo |  |
|---|-----------|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 28A SIGNATURE OF PERSON SOLEMNIZING MAF   |           | (11) NON-DENOMINATION (IF CLERGY)  |   |  |
| 29C, NAME OF PERSON SOLEMNIZING MARRIAGE (TYPE DR PRINT CLEARLY) (12) Benjamin Franklin |           | 290 OFFICIAL TITLE<br>(13)MINISTER |   |  |

## WHAT NOT TO DO ON THE MARRIAGE LICENSE

We cannot accept licenses containing ALTERATIONS, ERASURES, or STRIKEOVERS.

#### 1. DO NOT SIGN OUT SIDE OF THE BOX

All fields must be readable/legible

#### 2. DO NOT ABBREVIATE

County and city must be spelled out

| B 21 DATE O                            | F MARRIAGE (MM/DD/CCYY)  | 28B. CITY/TOWN OF MAI | RRIAGE               | 28C COUNTY OF MARRIAGE |  |
|--|--|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|
|  | 194N17112015   | Pismo                 | beach                | : 50                   |  |
| SNATURE OF PERSON SOLEMNIZING MARRIADS |  | V 7                   | 29B. RELIGIOUS DENON | (INATION (IF CLERGY)   |  |
| 29C. NAME O                            | SC. NAME OF PERSON SOLEMINIZING MARRIAGE (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY) |                       | 290. OFFICIAL TITLE  |                        |  |

#### 3. DO NOT WRITE OVER OR CROSS OUT ANYTHING

Even if it seems legible, if it looks altered in any way, the license will be rejected and a duplicate license will be issued.

| rıc             | 77161 SAN LUIS OBISPO  | 25G. RETURN COMPLETED MARRIAGE LICENSE TO (INCLUDE ADDRESS): 1055 Monterey St,D120 San Luis Obispo CA 93408 |
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| MORE<br>ED)     | 26A. SIGNATURE OF WITNESS                                      | 26B. NAME OF PERSON WITNESSING MARRIAGE (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)   |
|                 | ESSECTIVE STATE/COUNTRY, AND ZIP CODE                          | Rd: LOSOSOS, CA 93402   |
| EQUIRE<br>N TWO | 27A. SI NATURE OF WITNESS  John Smith                          | 27B. NAME OF PERSON WITNESSING MARRIAGE (TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)   |
| 1 AP            | 27C. ADDRESS, CITY, STATE/COUNTRY, AND ZIP CODE                | mojoGrande CA 93421   |
|                 | THE UNDERSIGNED DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF REPUBLY LINDER THE LA | AWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ABOVE NAMED DAPTIES WERE JOINED BY JE IN                            |

# 4. DO NOT WRITE IN THESE FIELDS (30A through 32C)

CONTRARY CONTRARY

They are prefilled in at the time the license is issued or are for our office use only. If you write in these spaces, the license will be rejected and a duplicate will be issued.

| S ME               | NEW AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 1A-1D (IF<br>30A. FIRST - MUST BE SAME AS 1A | 30B. MIDDLE                                     | 30C. LAST                           |
|--------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| N N                | NEW MIDDLE AND LAST NAME OF PERSON LISTED IN 12A-12D                               | FANY) FOR USE UPON SOLEMNIZATION OF THE MAR     | HAGE (SEE REVERSE FOR INCORMATION)  |
| ž.                 | 31A. FIRST – MUST BE SAME AS 12A<br>MARY   | 318. WIDDLE                                     | SMITH                               |
| LOCAL<br>REGISTRAR | 26A. NAME OF LOCAL REGISTRAR<br>TOMMY GONG   | 328. SIGNATURE OF CLERK OR DEPUTY CLERK<br>BY ► | 32G, DATE ACCEPTED FOR REGISTRATION |

# WHAT TO DO AFTER TURNING IN THE MARRIAGE LICENSE:

The \$100 licensing fee **DOES NOT** include copies of your marriage record. Licensing fees collected are for recordation and historical maintenance of your marriage record. Once the license is processed and recorded you may request a certified copy. Normal processing time is 2 days or less. If license is rejected for any of the above listed errors, processing time could increase significantly. Certified copies are \$15.00 each. See below options for requesting a certified copy.

In Person: You may request a copy in either of our offices via the



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Mailed or faxed requests: Request forms are located on our website: <a href="www.slovote.com">www.slovote.com</a> Click on Forms then scroll down to Copy Requests. Requests received via mail or fax must include a Notary acknowledgement (See form for details). If paying by credit card, please also include a signed Credit Card Authorization form (There is an additional \$1.49 processing fee for credit card orders).