

## **Marriage License**

For an official and legal marriage, you must obtain a State of Hawaii marriage license application prior to the ceremony. The application must be finalized in person by an agent of the Department of Health, Marriage License Division.

We recommend that you complete the application and pay for it online at least a week before your ceremony as this will expedite the process when you go in to meet an agent who will finalize and issue the marriage license application. And yes, you **MUST** meet with an agent **IN-PERSON**. You can try to schedule by phone but it is difficult to reach someone and they do not return out of state calls. We suggest that you go directly to their office at 1250 Punchbowl St. the first weekday morning that you are here between 8 am and 3 pm. The finalized marriage license application is good for 30 days from the date it is issued by the agent.

You will give your officiant the application at the ceremony who will use the application to file your marriage online. You will then be able to obtain your temporary marriage license in 1-3 business days. Your permanent marriage license will be mailed directly to you by the Department of Health in approximately 1 month.

Although you are asked on the application, you do not need to fill-in the date and location of your wedding, or the ministers name. This will be entered when your marriage is filed. However, Reverend Watters is usually our scheduled minister and is listed under Watters P. D. Glover

The Department of Health is located at: 1250 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Hours: 8:00-3:30PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY ONLY. NO WEEKEND SERVICE.  
Phone # (808) 586-4544. Please call to make an appointment during their regular business hours.

For more information and/or to obtain or complete a marriage license application, please click on this link:

<https://emrs.ehawaii.gov/emrs/public/home.html>