

PORTAGE COUNTY PROBATE COURT
203 West Main Street, Ravenna, OH 44266 Phone: 330-297-3871

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION INFORMATION

FEE: \$57.00 (Cash or Money Order **only**) Payable at time of application and is NON-Refundable. License is valid for sixty (60) days from date of issue. Each of the persons seeking a marriage license shall personally appear in the Probate Court.

HOURS: Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closed all Legal Holidays.

RESIDENCE: At least one of the applicants must be a current resident of Portage County and provide proof of residency. Proof of residence can be established by the following methods: Valid Driver's License, Voter's Registration, or three (3) pieces of mail with present name and address. License is valid only in the State of Ohio.

If neither party is a resident of the State of Ohio, you may apply for a marriage license in Portage County but **MUST** also be married in Portage County. You must provide proof of out of state residence for both parties (see above proof or residency methods)

PERSONS WHO MAY BE JOINED IN MARRIAGE: Male persons of the age of 18 and female persons of the age of 18, not nearer of kin than second cousins, and not having a husband or wife living, may be joined in marriage.

Legal proof of age shall be made by one of the following: Valid Driver's License, Certified Birth Certificate from the Dept. of Health, State Identification Card, Military Identification Card, or valid Passport.

MARRIAGE OF MINORS: The minimum age to apply for a marriage license is 18 years of age. If one or both of the applicants is under the age of 18, you must have the consent of the Juvenile Court (330) 297-0881.

PRIOR MARRIAGES: If previously married, you must provide a file-stamped copy of the final order of the most recent divorce, dissolution, or annulment of the marriage. If former spouse is deceased, you must show a copy of death certificate.

UNAVAILABILITY OF A PARTY: A party to a marriage who is unable to appear in person must be so by reason of illness or other physical disability and must present an Affidavit by a reputable physician in active practice and residing in Portage County stating the reason why party is unable to appear. The applicant who is unable to appear must complete the application and file an Affidavit setting forth the information required of applicants for a marriage license.