

Declaration of Marriage Information

Historically, a Declaration of Marriage was most commonly used when a minister or judge was unavailable. If the parties didn't wish to wait, they would go to their local county seat and file a paper with the Clerk of the District Court, declaring their marriage. This process for filing a declaration is still used today. Once a declaration of marriage is filed with the Clerk of the District Court, the couple is recognized as being legally married.

The application process is the same as the application for a marriage license, and requires the same fee of **\$53.00**.

You must prepare your own Declaration of Marriage. It may be typed or handwritten on 8.5 x 11 one-sided paper. The following Sample is provided to show you the information that must be included on the Declaration.

DECLARATION OF MARRIAGE

Declarant 1

Name
Age
Residence
Father's Name
Father's Residence
Mother's Maiden Name
Mother's Residence

Declarant 2

Name
Age
Residence
Father's Name
Father's Residence
Mother's Maiden Name
Mother's Residence

(Declarant 1 Name) and (Declarant 2 Name) are legally competent to enter into this marriage contract. (Declarant 1 Name) and (Declarant 2 Name) are declaring their marriage to each other on (Date).

Declarant 1 Signature

Declarant 2 Signature

Witness Signature

Witness Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Terry Halpin, Clerk of District Court

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Filed this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Terry Halpin, Clerk of District Court

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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