



How To Legally Register Your Union



Why Choose To Legally Register Your Marriage?

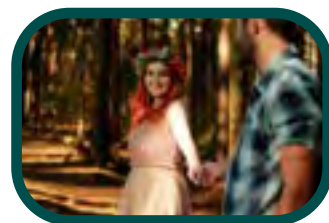
A Celebrant ceremony is not a legally binding marriage ceremony. Although they are in the process of re-evaluating the out-dated system, and it is only a matter of time before qualified Celebrants will have this role.

Many people find Registrar-led ceremonies very limiting. You do not have much control over the ceremony itself. Legally, certain Declaratory and Contractual words have to be used, and you don't have much freedom (if any) to say your own vows, have music, poems, readings or involve other family members or friends. You are also limited to using council registered venues. Plus, booking a Registrar can be very frustrating as the dates you want may not work for them.

So if you have any aspirations to create a more bespoke, authentic ceremony, one that represents you and your partner, choosing a Celebrant-led ceremony is the way. This gives you the freedom to have your ceremony...



where you want
when you want
and in the way
you want



This document outlines the very simple process of getting your union legally recognised...

for only £127!

Giving Notice

You must sign a legal statement at your local register office to say you intend to get married or form a civil partnership. This is known as 'giving notice'.

Contact your local Registry Office to make this appointment. Before you give notice, you need to choose a venue. If you choose to change the venue, you will need to give fresh notice of marriage and pay the costs again.

You must give notice at least 29 days before your ceremony.
For example, if you give notice on 1 May, the earliest date you can get married or form a civil partnership is 30 May.

You must hold your ceremony within 12 months of 'giving notice'.

At this appointment, you will need to prove your identity and nationality, your freedom

Once you have attended this appointment, your details will be on public display in that registration district for 28 days. Providing there have been no formal objections, your marriage authorities will be issued.

These authorities are valid for 12 months from date of issue.



Cost Of 'Giving Notice'

Notice of marriage/civil partnership

£35.00 per person

£70.00



Statutory Ceremony

For a minimum fee you can opt to legally marry in a 'Statutory Ceremony' to be held at any Register Office. This is a low fuss / low fee ceremony where you can simply state the declaratory words and contractual vows legally required to marry in the UK, before signing the marriage register.

You will need to bring two guests as witnesses to this ceremony. However, you do not need to enter to music, say your personal vows, exchange your wedding bands, or wear a big white dress! It normally takes around 10-15 minutes.



You can order and pay for your Wedding Certificate anytime after the Statutory Ceremony.

Cost Of Statutory Ceremony

£46.00

Cost Of Wedding Certificate

£11.00



Total Cost To Legally Register Your Union


£127.00



What To Do Next...




1



Book your Celebrant and wedding venue for the Celebrant ceremony and marriage celebration – ***your wedding day!***




2



Book a Statutory Ceremony in ***any*** Register Office convenient to you – on any day before or after your wedding day!



3



Make an appointment with your ***LOCAL*** Registrar service to give your notice of marriage – from 12 months to 29 days before your Statutory Ceremony.