



**WATAUGA COUNTY
REGISTER OF DEEDS
REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A MARRIAGE LICENSE**

**LICENSE IS GOOD FOR MARRIAGES IN NORTH CAROLINA ONLY AND IS VALID FOR 60
DAYS**

COST IS \$60.00 (CASH, CHECK or CREDIT/DEBIT CARD)

Effective October 1, 2001, a marriage license issued in any county in the state may be used at any place within the state within sixty (60) days of the date of issuance. The license must be returned to the county of issuance within ten (10) days after the celebration of the marriage with the appropriate signatures and blanks filled in according to the facts. (G.S. 51-16)

Age

- Both applicants over the age of 21:
 - Drivers License and Social Security card (if Social Security Card(s) are unavailable, proof of social security must be presented in computer form)
- Applicant's between the ages of 18 and 20:
 - The applicant, who is between the ages of 18 and 20, must provide a certified copy of their birth certificate.
 - Driver's License and Social Security Card (if Social Security Card(s) are unavailable, proof of social security must be presented in computer form)
- Applicant's age 16 or 17:
 - The applicant who is age 16 or 17 must provide a certified copy of their birth certificate.
 - Driver's License and Social Security Card (if Social Security Card(s) are unavailable, proof of social security must be presented in computer form)
 - The applicant's parent, with whom they reside, must be present and give their permission to marry by signing the application. The parent must show proper identification.

Previously Married

If either applicant has been previously married and divorced within 60 days from the date of the application, a copy of the divorce decree signed by the judge is required.