



# NEW MARRIAGE LICENSE UPDATES



**EFFECTIVE  
OCTOBER 1  
2026**

## **Public Act 26-141, Sections 6 and Section 7 Updates Connecticut General Statute Section 46b-24 and 46b-25.**

The update adds a minimum 48 hour waiting period from the time the marriage license application is completed in the town where the wedding ceremony will take place, before the marriage license may be issued.

The update also changes the date used to calculate the time period the license is valid for. Effective October 1, 2026, the license is valid for sixty-five days from the date the license is issued. This is a change from before in which the validity was calculated from the date of the application.



### **STEP 1: PROCESSING APPLICATION**

Go to [www.plymouthct.gov](http://www.plymouthct.gov) then to Town Clerk Department and Marriage Licenses. Submit the marriage license worksheet. Appointment will be given.

### **STEP 2: SIGN YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE**

Both spouses must appear in person with valid ID. Marriage license is \$50.00 cash or check. You may order a certified copy for \$20.00.

### **STEP 3: PICK UP YOUR MARRIAGE LICENSE**

Schedule an appointment to pick up your marriage license at least 48 hours after both spouses have signed. Bring valid ID for one or both parties to pick up license.

### **STEP 4: HAVE CEREMONY**

Have your ceremony here in Plymouth. After the ceremony, your officiant will drop off or mail your marriage certificate to the Town Clerk's office. If ordered, your certified copy will be mailed to you.

## **NEW 48 HOUR WAITING PERIOD**

| <b>DAY OF APPLICATION</b> | <b>DAY OF ISSUANCE</b> |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>             | <b>Thursday</b>        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>            | <b>Friday</b>          |
| <b>Wednesday</b>          | <b>Monday</b>          |
| <b>Thursday</b>           | <b>Monday</b>          |
| <b>Friday</b>             | <b>Monday</b>          |

YOU MUST BE GETTING MARRIED IN THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH TO APPLY FOR A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE IN PLYMOUTH.