

**TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD**  
**231 Third Street**  
**Lakewood, NJ 08701**

**OBTAINING A MARRIAGE, CIVIL UNION LICENSE IN LAKEWOOD**

**Who should apply in Lakewood Township**

Applicants who reside in Lakewood Township; or out of state couples who are getting married in Lakewood Township NJ.

**Where to apply**

Couples who live in New Jersey apply for the marriage license *in the New Jersey municipality where either party resides*. The marriage license is only valid throughout the state of New Jersey.

*If neither applicant is a New Jersey resident, submit the application in the municipality where the marriage ceremony will be performed in New Jersey. In this case, the license is only valid in the issuing municipality and the marriage must take place in this township only!*

Lakewood Township Registrar's Office schedules marriage licenses Monday thru Friday by appointment only.

Appointments are scheduled from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. 732-364-2500 ext. 5236

**When to apply**

Recommendation is to make an appointment at least four weeks before the ceremony. There is a mandated 72 hour waiting period from the time of application until you can use your license. Weekends are counted in the waiting period.

After the license is issued and picked up, it may be used in the state of New Jersey for (30) thirty days, after which time the license expires.

**Application requirements**

- \$28.00 fee (Cash or Check)
- Proof of identity by presenting a driver's license, passport or state/federal/county ID
- Proof of residency such as a driver's license, utility bill or bank statement (within 90 days) , tax return or lease
- A witness, 18 years of age or older
- Social Security number

Requested documents, but not required:

- A copy of your birth certificates to establish your parent's names and related birth information.
- If you have been previously married, or in a civil union, please bring divorce decree or annulment documents.
- If your former spouse or partner is deceased, please bring the death certificate.

Blood tests are no longer required to obtain a marriage license in New Jersey