

Civil Marriage Solemnization at Neighbouring Municipalities

City of Burlington – Does not provide this service

Haldimand County

\$291.25 (plus HST) for ceremonies held at their Central Administration Building or Haldimand County Museum and Archives, Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A consultation session must take place prior to the ceremony with both applicants in attendance, bringing with them, the valid Marriage Licence and payment for the ceremony.

Witnesses – two witnesses are required, being over the age of 14, with the ability to understand and appreciate what is taking place and have the ability to give evidence of such at a later date. If the applicants are unable to provide witnesses, the Council will provide Municipal staff to act in this capacity.

Town of Oakville

\$339.00 (includes applicable taxes) (which includes a \$113 non-refundable cancellation fee) with travel fees of \$28.25 (includes applicable taxes) within Oakville and \$56.50 (includes applicable taxes) outside of Oakville. There are also fees for using the Town's facilities: Town Hall Meeting Room - \$118.65 (includes applicable taxes) – Thursdays and Fridays, noon to 7 p.m. and \$237.30 (includes applicable taxes) – Second Saturday of each month, noon to 7 p.m.

Consultations are held Thursdays and Fridays. The applicants are required to meet with the officiant at least one day prior to the marriage ceremony (mandatory requirement) at the Town Hall. To book a civil marriage ceremony, the applicants is to bring with them to Town Hall, the valid marriage licence, their availability for the consultation; preferred time, date and location for the marriage ceremony; payment for the bookings.

Applicants are required to bring with the following to the Consultation: valid marriage licence; the completed civil ceremony questionnaire; receipt of payment for the civil ceremony; one piece of current, valid photo identification for each person; written copies of any personal vows or use the available vows on the Town's website.

They also stipulate that there to be no bubbles, candles, confetti, decorations or incense permitted in or around the Town Hall; and seating is not available.

Town of Lincoln

\$300.00 (HST included) for the civil ceremony (deposit of \$150.00); \$25.00 (HST included) for a witness; and \$50.00 (including HST) for the renewal of vows.

This was just approved by the Town of Lincoln's Council (September 23, 2019) no further details on their website.

Town of Grimsby – Does not provide this service

Town of Milton – Does not provide this service

City of Niagara Falls

Just recently received approval to perform Civil Marriage Solemnizations, the particulars as well as the fees have not been set at this time.

Town of Halton Hills – Does not provide this service

City of St. Catharines

\$316.45 (including HST) for a civil ceremony at City Hall and \$342.90 (including HST) after hours/off site with a cancellation fee of \$52.75.

They also stipulate that there are to be no bubbles, confetti, rice, etc. permitted.

City of Mississauga

\$260.00 + \$33.80 (HST) = \$293.80, \$100 administration fee is retained by the City should the scheduled ceremony be cancelled after the consultation.

The booking of the venue (Civic Centre Chapel or the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Rose Garden) for the civil ceremony is the responsibility of the applicants, the applicants are then required to have a copy of their booking invoice with them on the day of their ceremony.

They require 2 witnesses, they have a suggested age of 14 (as there isn't a minimum age requirement) in order for the witnesses to be able to understand and appreciate the ceremony which is taking place and be able to give evidence of such at a later date, if required.

A mandatory consultation with both applicants in attendance with the officiant should be scheduled at least three (3) days prior to the day of the ceremony, full payment is required at that time. The applicants should also bring the receipt of payment for the ceremony location; photo identification; a valid marriage licence, as well as a completed Marriage Ceremony Questionnaire and written vows.

Applicants are also advised that they should be wearing the proper attire for the occasion, that alcohol or stimulants are not be used by the applicants or their witnesses prior to or during the Marriage ceremony (the Officiant may cancel the ceremony if they believe the applicants or the witnesses have used alcohol or stimulants).

They also stipulate that there to be no bubbles, candles, confetti, decorations or incense permitted in or around the Town Hall; and seating is not available.

City of Welland

\$325.00 (including HST) in the City of Welland's Council Chamber; or \$250.00 (including HST) at an offsite location. The City requires that an Administration Fee of \$100.00 is paid to reserve the date of after business hours ceremonies, which is non-refundable, if the ceremony is cancelled less than 30 days from the date of the ceremony.

Ceremonies are available Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. They offer same day service, they do however, suggest that the applicants prearrange their date in order to personalize their ceremony.

After hours onsite and offsite locations are to be scheduled prior to the ceremony.