

Civil Marriage Ceremony – "B"

Welcome! My name is _____ and I will be your officiant for today's wedding. We would ask that everyone turn their phones to silent.

Please refrain from taking photos during the ceremony. You will be able to take lots of photos after the ceremony and during the signing.

(Celebrant #1 First Name) and **(Celebrant #2 First Name)** have chosen to invite you here today to share with them as they make their vows to one another.

Optional – Giving Away:

{Name of person giving away}, do you give this couple your blessing this day and promise to honour and respect them in their marriage?



(Celebrant #1 First Name) and **(Celebrant #2 First Name)**, the vows that you exchange today are a solemn promise that you make to one another. What you promise to each other today must be renewed and reaffirmed day by day. At the end of this ceremony, you will be legally married, but the success of your marriage will depend on your commitment to these promises.

Declarations of Eligibility:

Both Celebrants repeat this after the officiant, individually:

"I do solemnly declare that I do not know of any lawful impediment why I may not be joined in matrimony to {Celebrant Full Name}."



Vows:

Both Celebrants repeat this after the officiant, individually:

"I call upon these persons here present to witness that I {Celebrant #1 Full Name} do take you {Celebrant #2 Full Name} to be my lawful wedded {wife or husband or spouse or partner}." To have to hold from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer; in sickness and in health; in joy and in sorrow; to love and to cherish and to be faithful to you alone, as long as we both shall live.

Optional - Rings:

Two choices of wording for the rings (can be both):

A: "I give you this ring that you may wear it as a symbol of the vows we have made this day."

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B: "With this ring, I thee wed. I shall love, honour, and cherish thee, and this ring shall be the symbol of my love."

Declaration by Officiant:

Having conscientiously declared your vows to each other before these witnesses, it is my privilege that I, {Officiant}, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Marriage Act, do hereby pronounce you {Celebrant #1 Full Name} and {Celebrant #2 Full Name} to be married.