



ELOPE ON A BOAT QUESTIONNAIRE

THE RELATIONSHIP:

1. How did you meet?
2. Describe your first date?
3. How long have you been together?
4. When did you become engaged?
5. Describe the proposal.
6. What are your most favorite aspects of each other?
7. What is your least favorite aspect of each other? What thing drives you “crazy” about the other?
8. What is the funniest story you have about relationship that you are willing to have shared with others?
9. What are your individual strengths in the relationship and individual weaknesses. How do you compliment each other?

THE CEREMONY:

1. What style of ceremony do you prefer, religious (with the use of the terms “God” and “Pray”) or non-religious (with the use of the term “Universe” and “Meditate/Reflect”)?
2. Would you prefer the ceremony to be humorous, serious, or a blend of both?
3. Is there a particular song you would like to be introduced prior to the ceremony as an introduction? If so, which song?
4. Are there any important guests that you would like to recognize my name (living or deceased)? If so, what is/are the name(s), what is the relationship to you, and why do you want them recognized?
5. Do you want specific stories or readings incorporated into the ceremony? If so, which ones? Would you like the readings or stories to be given by the officiant, by witnesses, or by each other?
6. Will you be writing your own vows, or do you prefer the traditional religious or non-religious vows?

7. Will there be ring bearers?
8. Are there any particular family traditions that you will incorporate into the ceremony that I should be aware of?
9. Of the following statements, which do you prefer?
 1. "I now pronounce you husband and wife, you may kiss."
 2. "I now pronounce you married, you may kiss."
 3. "I now pronounce you partners in love and life, you may kiss."
10. Is there a particular song you would like played after the kiss? If so, which song?
11. Are there any announcements you would like made at the conclusion of the ceremony?

OTHER DETAILS:

1. What is the full name of the bride?
2. What is the full name of the groom?
3. What is the religion of the bride, if any?
4. What is the religion of the groom, if any?
5. If religious, does the bride actively practice her religion?
6. If religious, does the groom actively practice his religion?
7. Do you have children together? If so, what are the names and ages?
8. Do you have children from other relationships? If so, what are the names, ages, and relationship to bride/groom?
9. Do you have pets together? If so, what type of pet and what is the pet's name?
10. How many guests are you expecting?
11. When facing me, does the bride intend to stand to my right or left?
Traditionally, the bride will stand to the right of the minister/officiant.
12. What type of attire will both be wearing, casual, business professional, or black tie? Traditionally, I perform the ceremonies in dress shorts, a captain's uniform shirt, and bare feet. It is preferred by most couples to be barefoot and semi-casual as well. Do you have any further preferences for my attire?

THE MARRIAGE LICENSE:

1. A marriage license in Baltimore City must be obtained no less than 72-hours prior to the ceremony and no more than 180-days.

2. The Marriage License can be obtained from:

Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Clarence M. Mitchell Jr. Courthouse
100 North Calvert Street, Room 627
Baltimore, MD 21202

The courthouse is open Monday to Thursday from 8:30am to 6:15pm
and Fridays from 8:30am to 4:45pm.

3. Fee for the license is \$85.00 in CASH ONLY.

4. Only one party is required to apply for the license, but you MUST show identification for both parties who will be on the license application.

5. The following information is needed for both parties:

- Full names
- Ages
- State/Country of birth
- Addresses
- Social security numbers
- If previously married:
 - Divorced: a copy of divorce decree must be presented.
 - Widowed: the day, month, year of death, and the county and state in which the death was recorded.

THE MARRIAGE LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION OF BOTH BRIDE AND GROOM MUST BE PRESENTED TO CAPTAIN BOBBY THE DAY OF THE CEREMONY FOR THE MARRIAGE TO BE VALID.



Application for Marriage License



STATE OF MARYLAND Circuit Court for Baltimore City

Party 1: First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____ Suffix _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ Social Security Number _____ - _____

Age _____ Place of Birth _____

State or Foreign Country

Marital Status: ☐ Never Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Widowed

Divorced/Widowed _____ Date _____ Location _____

_____/_____/_____

_____/_____/_____

_____/_____/_____

Party 2: First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____ Suffix _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ Social Security Number _____ - _____

Age _____ Place of Birth _____

State or Foreign Country

Marital Status: ☐ Never Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Widowed

Divorced/Widowed _____ Date _____ Location _____

_____/_____/_____

_____/_____/_____

_____/_____/_____

Are you related by blood or marriage? _____

Signature of Party 1

Signature of Party 2

Date ____/____/____

*If applicant is 17 years old, the parental permission or a doctor's certificate is required. And a certified copy of an order granting authorization to marry MUST be presented.