

Frequently Asked Questions

My ceremony is taking place in another county, am I able to use the Deputy Commissioner for a Day program in another county?

Yes.

I am obtaining my Marriage License and Certificate from another county, is your Deputy Commissioner for a day program accepted?

Yes.

The person I want to officiate my ceremony is not a resident of Los Angeles County, is the person eligible to participate in the program?

Yes, as long as the person has a valid government issued picture ID, such as a Driver's License or passport.

My ceremony is taking place in another state; may I use the Deputy Commissioner for a Day program?

No. The Deputy Commissioner for a Day program is only valid in California.

My ceremony is under the two month requested time frame for submission, may I submit my application?

Yes, please include an additional \$13 to expedite the process.

My application may not make it to your office in time for my ceremony, what are my options?

Please contact our office at (562) 462-2082, to request approval to overnight your application. If your application is accepted, you will need to include an additional \$13 to expedite the process.

The person I want to officiate my ceremony lives out of town and will not arrive until the day before my ceremony, what are my options?

Please contact our office to request a Special Accommodation. Depending on staff availability your application may be accepted and must include an additional \$13 for the Special Accommodation fee. **Special Accommodations are done Monday through Friday only.**

I am an ordained minister do I need to complete the Deputy Commissioner for a Day program?

No.

I am an ordained minister; do I need to register with your office?

No, this department does not maintain a registry of ordained ministers.

Does your office accept online ordinations?

Yes.

How soon should I submit my application?

Submitting your application two months prior to the ceremony date is a sufficient amount of time. Your application will be returned if submitted too far in advance.

Can I be deputized in one of your district offices?

No. You must appear in-person at our headquarters facility located in Norwalk.