
CIVIL MARRIAGE SCRIPT TWO

This couple has come here today to be joined in marriage, which is the voluntary union of two persons to the exclusion of all others. If any person can show just cause why they may not be lawfully joined together, let them speak now or forever hold their peace.

Municipal Clerk to the 1st person: Repeat after me, please.

“I do solemnly declare that I do not know of any lawful impediment why I, _____ may not be joined in matrimony to _____.”

Municipal Clerk to the 2nd person: Repeat after me please.

“I do solemnly declare that I do not know of any lawful impediment why I, _____ may not be joined in matrimony to _____.”

Marriage is not a single event but rather a developing process which is not to be undertaken recklessly or irresponsibly but rather maturely and honestly. Marriage is the faithful union between two persons the result of which is the formation of a family unit whose members shall help, support and enjoy each other in good times and in bad times. It is this relationship these two persons wish to have declared and celebrated.

Please face each other as you repeat your vows.

Municipal Clerk to the 1st person: Repeat after me, please.

“I call upon these persons here present to witness that I, _____ do take you, _____ to be my lawful wedded (husband, wife, spouse or partner).”

Municipal Clerk to the 2nd person: Repeat after me, please.

“I call upon these persons here present to witness that I,
_____ do take you, _____ to be my
lawful wedded (husband, wife, spouse or partner).”

Municipal Clerk to the 1st Person:

This ring is a symbol of your marriage and a symbol of your love and of
your life together. Please place it on the third finger of _____’s
left hand saying after me:

“With this ring, I thee wed. I shall love, honour and cherish thee and
this ring shall be the symbol of my love.”

If a double ring ceremony, the 2nd person repeats the above.

I, Municipal Clerk/designates’ name, by virtue of the powers vested in
me by the *Marriage Act* and the Province of Ontario, do hereby pronounce
you, _____ and _____ to be married.

May you enjoy length of days, fulfillment of hopes and peace and
contentment of mind, as you day by day live and fulfill the terms of this
covenant you have made with one another.

You may celebrate your marriage with a kiss.