



Forsyth County Register of Deeds Vital Records Identification Requirements

Valid ID is required for marriage license applications and certified copies of vital records.
All documents must be original and names must match on each document submitted.
Documents must contain full legal name, address and date of birth for requesting person.
Certified or notarized copies must include original signature, title and date from the issuing entity.
Notaries must include their statement, seal, date and signature.

PHOTOCOPIES ARE NOT ACCEPTED

PREFERRED ID (any one of the following original, unexpired, valid documents):

- Valid North Carolina driver license, learner permit or ID card
- Valid Photo ID issued by any US State, Puerto Rico or US Territory
- Valid Passport from any country

(*the Mexico Matricula is no longer recognized as acceptable NC identification)

ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

A minimum of two (2) alternate forms of identifying information is required. Must be original documents (**copies are not accepted**); cannot be from the same source and must include:

- Full Legal Name and Date of Birth on one document
- Same Full Legal Name and Current Address on the other document

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (not accepted as ID), is required for all marriage applicants in addition to valid ID

Just know your Social Security number. Present card or other document if the number is not known.

Individuals not eligible for US social security numbers must sign an affidavit to that affect in our office.

Examples of Alternate Identification Accepted (subject to approval by this office)

- Must be original, non-laminated documents with signature, title and date from issuing entity.
- DMV issued driver license, learner permit or ID card with photo which has not been expired more than one year.
- Certified document from any US state, territory or government agency.
- US military issued photo ID.
- Foreign language certified document if accompanied by a certified English translation.
- Valid, unexpired documents issued by the US immigration service.
- US Court documents, such as divorce decree, name change, etc. that includes the date of birth or address.
- Other original identifying documents deemed acceptable by this office.