

Archdiocese of Omaha

Pre-nuptial Pastoral and Canonical Questionnaire

GROOM		
_____		_____
(Name)		(Age)
_____		_____
(Address	city,	state)
_____		_____
(Religion)		(If Catholic - current Parish)

BRIDE		
_____		_____
(Name)		(Age)
_____		_____
(Address	city,	state)
_____		_____
(Religion)		(If Catholic - current Parish)

(Parish and city & state of marriage)

(Priest/Deacon arranging marriage)

(Date of intended marriage)

1. _____
(Witness)

2. _____
(Witness)

Groom

(Each party must be interviewed separately)

1. What is your full name? _____
2. Date and city of your birth? _____
3. Father's name? _____ His religion? _____
Mother's maiden name? _____ Her religion? _____
4. How long have you been living in your current residence? _____
If less than 3 months where do you regard as home? _____

Were you ever baptized? ___ Yes ___ No ___ Uncertain
5. Catholic or Christian denomination? _____
Where recorded? _____ Church _____ City/State _____ When? _____
(A baptismal certificate is necessary from each party. For Catholics, issued within 6 months.)

6. What religion do you profess now? _____
Do you attend Mass/religious services weekly? ___ regularly? ___ occasionally? ___ seldom/not at all? ___
FOR CATHOLICS: a) Have you received First Communion? _____ Confirmation? _____
b) Do you receive Eucharist and Penance as part of your faith practice? _____
c) Have you received Sacred Orders or entered religious life? _____
(if affirmative, proof must be provided that you are no longer bound thereby.)

7. Have you ever married before - either in a civil or religious ceremony? ___ No ___ Yes (go to next questions)

How often? _____ With Whom? _____ Place _____
Officiating person? _____ Date? _____
Former spouse(s) deceased? _____ Proof? _____
Church declaration of nullity? _____ Seeking validation of current union _____ (Diocese and Protocol No.)

8. How long have you known your intended spouse? _____ Been engaged? _____
Was your intended spouse ever married before? _____
9. Are you related to your intended spouse in the following ways:
___ Adoption/legal guardianship? ___ Blood relative? ___ Family relation by marriage?
10. Are you marrying because of force or fear from persons or circumstances? _____
11. Are there physical or psychological conditions preventing you from fulfilling your marital duties? _____
12. Do you intend: a) marriage until death? ___ b) life-long fidelity to your spouse? ___
c) to grant to your spouse normal natural marriage relations and the right to children? ___
13. Are you placing any conditions on your marriage consent? _____
14. (If not 19, C. 1071, 1083) Do your parents consent to your marriage? _____
15. Is there any thing else you wish to reveal concerning your proposed marriage? _____

I understand the nature of, and freely accept the responsibilities for marriage. I affirm the truthfulness of my answers.

Groom _____

Priest/Deacon Interviewer completes the following:

I personally know the groom and can vouch for his freedom to marry.

The freedom of the groom is unknown to me, a freedom affidavit (Form 2) is attached.

_____ Date

_____ Place

_____ Priest/Deacon

Bride

(Each party must be interviewed separately)

1. What is your full name? _____
2. Date and city of your birth? _____
3. Father's name? _____ His religion? _____
Mother's maiden name? _____ Her religion? _____
4. How long have you been living in your current address? _____
If less than 3 months where do you regard as home? _____

5. Were you ever baptized? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Uncertain
Catholic or Christian denomination? _____
Where recorded? _____ Church _____ City/State _____ When? _____
(A baptismal certificate is necessary from each party. For Catholics, issued within 6 months.)

6. What religion do you profess now? _____
Do you attend Mass/religious services weekly? regularly? occasionally? seldom/not at all?
FOR CATHOLICS: a) Have you received First Communion? _____ Confirmation? _____
b) Do you receive Eucharist and Penance as part of your faith practice? _____
c) Have entered religious life? _____
(if affirmative, proof must be provided that you are no longer bound thereby.)

7. Have you ever married before - either in a civil or religious ceremony? No Yes (go to next questions)

How often? _____	With Whom? _____	Place _____
Officiating Person? _____	Date? _____	
Former spouse(s) dead? <input type="checkbox"/> Proof? _____		
Church declaration of nullity? _____	Seeking validation of current union _____	
(Diocese and Protocol No.)		

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Was your intended spouse ever married before? _____
9. Are you related to your intended spouse in the following ways:
 Adoption/legal guardianship? Blood relatives? Family relation by marriage?
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13. Are you placing any conditions on your marriage consent? _____
14. (if under 19, C. 1071, 1083) Do your parents consent to your marriage? _____
15. Is there anything else you wish to reveal concerning your proposed marriage? _____

I understand the nature of, and freely accept the responsibilities for marriage. I affirm the truthfulness of my answers.

Bride _____

Priest/Deacon Interviewer completes the following:

I personally know the bride and can vouch for her freedom to marry.

The freedom of the bride is unknown to me, a freedom affidavit (Form 2) is attached.

Date _____

Place _____

Priest/Deacon _____

DELEGATION FOR ASSISTING AT THIS MARRIAGE

Delegation (cf. Canon 1108, 1110, 1111,2 and 1113) is hereby granted to _____
(Name of officiating Roman Catholic minister)

to assist at the marriage of _____ and _____
(Groom) (Bride)

_____ Parish _____ Day _____ Month _____ Year

Pastor

INSTRUCTIONS

- a). This form must be completed by the deacon or priest arranging for the marriage prior to applying for any dispensations or permissions.
- b). Rescripts of Dispensations from Disparity of Cult or Canonical Form or Permission for Mixed Religion are to be kept in this form, also the documents regarding baptismal status, freedom and marriage preparation.
- c). Archdiocesan marriage preparation policy requires a six month preparation period be observed and that FOCCUS 2000 will be administered and discussed. Any exceptions require permission from the Chancery.
- d). Marriages involving any person under 19 years of age require Teen Marriage Counseling and permission in writing from the Chancery.
- e). In accord with Canon 1071 no one is to assist, without the permission of the Chancery, at:
 1. a marriage of vagi (transient persons, persons without valid visa status)
 2. a marriage which is not in accord with civil law
 3. a marriage of a person with natural obligations toward a third party or children because of a prior union
 4. a marriage of a person who has notoriously rejected the Catholic faith
 5. a marriage of a person who is under ecclesiastical censure
 6. a marriage of a minor (under 19) whose parents are either unaware of it or are reasonably opposed to it
 7. a marriage to be entered by proxy
- f) See Archdiocesan Pastoral Policies, M1 to M16.

NEBRASKA LAW REGARDING MARRIAGE

1. **Required Age:** A man and a woman must be 19 years of age to marry without consent of parents. If under 19 years of age consent must be given in writing by parent or guardian. A man under 17 years of age may not marry in Nebraska
2. **Divorce:** A civil divorce does not become final until 6 months after the decree has been issued. (Tribunal procedures must be completed in every case where a prior union existed before marriage preparation can begin.)

Data for the Marriage Register

1. Date and place of marriage _____
2. Married by _____
3. Permissions/Dispensations granted _____
4. Date notice sent to parish of baptism _____
5. License number _____
6. Date notice sent to County Court House _____

(Parish Seal)