

Marriage Ceremony Information

To have a marriage ceremony officiated by the Golden Valley County Clerk of Court/Recorder you have two options.

The **first option** is to schedule an appointment for solemnization of the marriage to be performed in the Courthouse during regular business hours, preferably in the afternoon. This civil ceremony lasts approximately ten (10) minutes. The cost for this ceremony is \$30 and must be paid for in **cash**. Space for guests could be limited. For this type of ceremony you must:

- Have a marriage license issued in North Dakota
- Bring two witnesses with you on the day of the ceremony
- You should arrive at the Clerk of Court/Recorder's Office, which is located at the Courthouse, 150 1st Ave. SE, 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment
- In office ceremonies will be scheduled Monday-Friday in the afternoons and subject to room availability and the schedule of the Clerk of Court/Recorder

The **second option** is to select a site of your choice. You may then schedule an appointment with the Clerk of Court/Recorder to officiate the ceremony. The cost for an off-site ceremony is \$100 to \$200 depending on the date, time and place. Ceremonies on holidays or holiday weekends as well as those performed outside of Beach will be at the higher fee. All off site wedding ceremony appointments must be scheduled, licensed purchased and the fees paid with **cash** at least one week in advance. Appointments for these ceremonies can be any day of the week. The above list of "musts" also applies for this option.

To schedule an appointment for a wedding ceremony contact:

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