

VITAL RECORDS

MARRIAGE, BIRTH, DEATH CERTIFICATES



[Vital Records Application](#)

In addition to all 234 local City and Town Clerks, the Division of Vital Records Administration (DVRA) issues certified copies of birth, death, marriage, divorce and civil union certificates to qualified individuals and agencies that provide a "direct and tangible" interest in obtaining a record.

In order to obtain certified copies of Vital Records, you must complete the above application and send it to the DVRA or visit your local City or Town Clerk and pay a search fee. The current fee is \$15, plus any additional expenses incurred for credit card transactions. This fee is payable whether or not a record is found. Alternative pricing may be made for state agencies and federal government agencies for non-certified copies or verification of vital events. Additional copies of the same record issued at the same time are \$10.

Access Policy

New Hampshire vital records are considered to be private and access to them is restricted by statute to those individuals who have a "direct and tangible interest" in the record. To view all of the disclosure limitations to our records, click on this link to our statute: [RSA 5-C:9](#). Certain older records are exempted from these access restrictions: "Birth records more than 100 years old and death, marriage,

and divorce records more than 50 years old shall be considered part of the public domain." ([RSA 5-C:105](#))

Individuals wishing to research these "genealogical" records may do so by visiting the "Genealogical Research Center" that is located at 9 Ratification Way (formerly 71 South Fruit Street), Concord, NH 03301. Alternatively, upon receipt of a completed application, positive identification and the required fee, Vital Records staff will research records for you.