



WEDDINGS IN

*North Tyneside*



YOUR WEDDING IS ONE OF THE MOST SPECIAL DAYS OF YOUR LIFE, AND WE CAN HELP YOU CREATE THE PERFECT DAY HERE IN NORTH TYNESIDE.

We conduct civil marriages and civil partnerships at the Grade II listed Maritime Chambers, with wonderful views of the River Tyne in North Shields. We can tailor your ceremony to suit your needs and can accommodate for as few as two and as many as 70 guests.

We can also facilitate ceremonies at a number of approved venues across the borough, with capacities for up to 250 guests.







## BOOKING YOUR CEREMONY

If you want to marry or form a civil partnership, you and your partner must:

- visit the Register Office and give formal notice, this is still the case if you are getting married elsewhere;
- have lived in England or Wales for at least eight days.

A notice is:

- valid for 12 months after the superintendent registers it;
- only valid for the venue on the notice – if you change your mind you both need to give new notices and pay another fee.

Please note, there is a statutory fee per person for a formal notice.

We will display the notice at the Register Office for 28 full days. You must give your notice with enough time, after 28 days an authority for the marriage/civil partnership will be issued.

If your marriage/partnership is in a church other than Church of England:

- you must take the schedule to the church before the date of marriage, you can collect it yourself or ask us to post it to your home address;
- If the minister at the church doesn't have the authorities beforehand, your marriage/partnership might be delayed or postponed.





## MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

### Your marriage and civil partnership options at Maritime Chambers:

Room: Tyne View Room (First Floor)  
Availability: Monday to Saturday  
Capacity: 70

Room: River Suite (Lower Ground Room)  
Availability: Monday to Saturday  
Capacity: 16

Room: Register Office Room (First Floor)  
Availability: Friday mornings only  
Capacity: Parties to the marriage and one witness each

We also offer renewal of vows and baby naming ceremonies.



### Registrars outside of the Register Office:

We conduct marriages, civil partnerships and celebratory ceremonies at venues across North Tyneside.

To arrange a marriage or civil partnership at one of the approved venues across North Tyneside, you will still require a registrar to conduct the ceremony. Marriages and civil partnerships can take place seven days a week and you need to check the availability of a registrar to be able to attend on your chosen date and time.

Celebratory ceremonies can be offered at non licensed premises, giving couples the opportunity to have a celebration at a venue of their choice which may have sentimental significance. The legal part of the ceremony will be held at the Register Office.







## LEGAL PRELIMINARIES AND DOCUMENTATION

To be able to marry or form a civil partnership at the Register Office, an approved venue or religious building, the law requires you undergo certain preliminaries prior to the ceremony. If you wish to marry in a Church of England then you must speak to the parish minister of your chosen church.

### **Legal notice of intention to marry**

You must both attend the Register Office in the district in which you reside, usually at the same time.

You must both have lived in the registration district for at least seven clear days immediately before attending the Register Office.

Notice must be given in person at the Register Office at least 28 clear days before the marriage or civil partnership, but not earlier than one calendar year before.

### **Documentation**

When giving notice you need to provide evidence of name, nationality, date of birth and place of residence. If you have been married / through a civil partnership previously, then you must also provide the relevant documents, i.e. decree absolute, death certificate etc to prove you are able to proceed.

All documents should be originals and not photocopies, in the case of foreign documents, they must have an English translation. For anyone who has changed their name, evidence is required in the form of a name change document.

For those under the age of 18, you must contact the Register Office for further information on the documentation required.

A marriage/civil partnership cannot go ahead unless the legal preliminaries have been completed. A provisional booking is provisional until legal notice has been given. Notices cannot be given on behalf of another person, by email, fax or post.







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