

Marriage Age Requirements

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| ALABAMA | 30-1-4, 5 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Marriage under 16 is voidable, not void. Marriage between 16 and 18 without parental consent is not grounds for annulment. |
| ALASKA | 25.05.171 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Superior court judge may grant permission for person over 14 at hearing with parents and minor. |
| ARIZONA | 25-102 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may be allowed to marry with parental consent and approval of superior court judge. |
| ARKANSAS | 9-11-102 to 105 | Male: 17; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under minimum age may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child, with parental consent and judicial order. |
| CALIFORNIA | Family §300-303 | Male: No age limit; Female: No age limit | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 18 need parental consent and a court order obtained on the showing the court requires |
| COLORADO | 14-2-106, 108 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may be allowed to marry with parental consent and/or approval of juvenile court judge (if parents not living together). |
| CONNECTICUT | 46b-30 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may be allowed to marry with parental consent and consent of probate judge. |
| DELAWARE | Tit. 13 §123 | Male: 18; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under minimum age may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child with medical certification. |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | §46-403, 411 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Parental consent not required if minor was previously married. |
| FLORIDA | 741.0405 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Parental consent not required if minor was previously married or parents are |

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| | | | | deceased. Under age 18, a county judge has discretion whether or not to give license if the couple has a child or is expecting one (upon sworn affidavits that they are the parents). |
| GEORGIA | 19-3-2, 19-3-37 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under minimum age may obtain license without parental consent in case of pregnancy or birth of child. Parents must appear before judge to consent to marriage. |

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| HAWAII | §572-1 (2), 572-2 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | In certain circumstances, 15 year olds may obtain license, but never under 15. |
| IDAHO | 32-202 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under age 16 may obtain license with parental consent and order of the court. |
| ILLINOIS | 750 ILCS 5/203, 5/208 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | If no parents to consent, judicial consent with finding that parties are capable of marriage. No provisions for marriage under age 16. |
| INDIANA | 31-11-1-4 to 31-11-1-6 | Male: 17; Female: 17 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors ages 15-17 may obtain license in case of pregnancy, birth of child and with approval of judge of superior or county court. |
| IOWA | 595.2 | Male: 16; | Male: 18; | Minors 16-17 may obtain |

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| | | Female: 16 | Female:18 | license without parental consent with approval of court if both parents dead or incompetent or marriage in parties' best interest. |
| KANSAS | 23-106 | Male: not specified; Female: not specified | Male: 18; Female: 18 | No statutory provision for minimum age with consent. Common law prevails. See <i>State v. Wade</i> , 766 P. 2d 811 at 815. |
| KENTUCKY | 402.020 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under age 18 may obtain license without parental consent in case of pregnancy or birth of child and with permission of district court judge. |
| LOUISIANA | Children's Code Art. 1545, <i>et seq.</i> | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minor under 16 must obtain both parental consent and authorization of court. |
| MAINE | 19-A §652 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may be allowed to marry with parental consent and approval of court. |
| MARYLAND | Fam. Law 2-301 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 15 yrs. old may not marry. Minors 15 yrs. old may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child with parental consent. |
| MASSACHUSETTS | Ch. 207§7, 24, 25 | Male: not specified; Female: not specified | Male: 18; Female: 18 | No statutory provision for minimum age with consent. Common law prevails. If parent deserted or incapable of consent, not necessary to obtain consent. |
| MICHIGAN | MCLA | Male: 16; | Male: 18; | |

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| | §551.51 & 551.103; 551.201 | Female: 16; (consent of 1 of the parents required of both sexes) | Female: 18 | |

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| MINNESOTA | 517.02 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | |
| MISSISSIPPI | 93-1-5 | Male: 17; Female: 15 | Male: 21; Female: 21 | Minors under minimum age may obtain license with parental consent and approval of court. Minor females age 15 yrs. and older and males 17 yrs. and older but under 21 may obtain license with parental consent and court order. |
| MISSOURI | 451.090 | Male: 15; Female: 15 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 15 may obtain license under special circumstances and for good cause. |
| MONTANA | 40-1-213; 40-1-202 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors age 16 or 17 must participate in marriage counseling and must show capable of marriage. |
| NEBRASKA | 42-102, 42-105 | Male: 17; Female: 17 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | |
| NEVADA | 122.020, 025 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license by parental consent and approval of court in extraordinary circumstances. |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 457:4 to 457:6 | Male: 14; Female: 13 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Any marriage contracted by persons under 18 may, in discretion of superior court, be annulled at suit of the party |

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| | | | | who at the time of marriage was under 18. The parent or guardian can also annul, unless the parties confirm marriage upon reaching age of consent (18 years). |
| NEW JERSEY | 37:1-6 | Male: 16; Female: 16 (unless parents of unsound mind) | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license by parental consent and approval of court. If male under 18 yrs. old and has been arrested on charge of sexual intercourse with single female who thereby became pregnant, consent not required. |
| NEW MEXICO | 40-1-5 to 6 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may only obtain license by order of children's court or family division of district court. Courts may authorize marriage in settlement of action to compel support, and establish parentage, or in case of pregnancy. |

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| NEW YORK | Dom. Rel. §§7, 15, 15a | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 must have approval of parents and court. Minors 16 and 17 must have only parental consent. No license to minors under 14. |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 51-2, 51-2.1 | Male: 16; Female: 16 (One or both parents' consent unless minor has certificate of emancipation) | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors 14-15 may obtain license with court order in case of pregnancy or birth of child. |

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| NORTH DAKOTA | 14-03-02 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | No license issued to persons under 16. |
| OHIO | 3101.01 to 3101.05 | Male: 18; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Parties under minimum age may marry with consent of juvenile court where female is pregnant and intends to have the child. |
| OKLAHOMA | Tit. 43 §3 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child with parental consent and court authorization. |
| OREGON | 106.010, 106.060 | Male: 17; Female: 17 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | If parent is out of state and either party is a resident, parental consent not required. |
| PENNSYLVANIA | Tit. 23 §1304(1) to (2) | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license with parental consent and approval of court if in best interest of applicant. |
| RHODE ISLAND | 15-2-11 | Male: 18; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Younger parties may obtain license in special circumstances. |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 20-1-250, 20-1-300 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Younger parties may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child (with proof of pregnancy from doctor) and with consent of one of the parents of the female. |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 25-1-9 | Male: 16; Female: 16; (consent of 1 parent) | Male: 18; Female: 18 | |
| TENNESSEE | 36-3-104 to 107 | Male: 16; Female: 16; (3 day waiting period except for certain circumstances where | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license in special circumstances. |

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| TEXAS | §2.102 §2.101, 2.103 | Male: 14; Female: 14; (consent must be given during 30 day period immediately preceding the date of application for license) | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 18 can petition court in his own name for permission to marry |
| UTAH | 30-1-2; 30-1-9; 30-1-30, 31 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Exceptions may be made for persons who are 15 yrs. old with court approval. A minor who is 15 yrs. old and his or her parent must petition to the court for permission for the minor to marry. |
| VERMONT | Tit. 18 §5142 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license with parental consent and court order that "public good" requires them to be married. Marriage when minor is under 14 is prohibited. |
| VIRGINIA | 20-48, 49 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Parental consent not required if minor was emancipated. Minors under 16 may obtain license in case of pregnancy or birth of child with parental consent and proof of |

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| | | | | pregnancy from a doctor. |
| WASHINGTON | 26.04.010 | Male: 17; Female: 17 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 17 may obtain license in special circumstances. |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 48-2-301 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license with parental consent and court order. |
| WISCONSIN | 765.02 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | |
| WYOMING | 20-1-102 | Male: 16; Female: 16 | Male: 18; Female: 18 | Minors under 16 may obtain license in special circumstances. |

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