

LATIN CATHOLIC CHURCH *SUI IURIS*
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

TRIBUNAL AND CANONICAL AFFAIRS

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Petition for Marriage Dispensation or Permission

Groom: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Bride: _____ *(always with maiden last name)*

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Date of marriage (or validation): _____

Priest/deacon preparing couple (print): _____

Name of parish: _____

City/state of parish: _____

Mixed Marriage Permission or Disparity of Cult Dispensation

- Check one:** Dispensation from disparity of cult (lack of valid baptism)
 Mixed marriage permission (with disparity of cult granted as a precaution)
 Permission to marry baptized Catholic who has rejected the Catholic faith

Reason for permission or dispensation – check all that apply:

- Spiritual good of the parties Danger of mere civil union
 Validation of a civil marriage Hope of conversion/full communion

Promise of the Catholic (to be read aloud in the presence of both parties): I reaffirm my faith in Jesus Christ and, with God's help, intend to continue living that faith in the Catholic Church. I promise to do all in my power to share the faith I have received with our children by having them baptized and reared as Catholics.

Signature of Catholic: _____ Date: _____

Statement of priest or deacon: The required promise and declaration have been made by the Catholic in my presence. The non-Catholic has been informed of this requirement so that it is certain that he /she is aware of the promise and obligation on the part of the Catholic.

Signature of priest/deacon: _____ Date: _____

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Ordinary/delegate: _____ Date: _____

Dispensation from Canonical Form

- A “dispensation from canonical form” means that the marriage ceremony will NOT be celebrated by a Catholic priest or deacon.
- The Catholic priest or deacon may request permission to be present and participate in the ceremony in certain ways, but he will not be the one receiving the vows.
- The mixed marriage permission/dispensation of cult dispensation on prior page must also be completed.

Place of proposed marriage: _____
(Outdoor settings are not permitted)

Address of proposed place: _____

Date of proposed marriage: _____

Title and name of officiant: _____
(Protestant minister, rabbi, monk, cleric, etc.)

Dispensation from the canonical form of marriage is requested for the following reasons:

- Objections of conscience by non-Catholic participants to Catholic ceremony
- To achieve family harmony or avoid family alienation
- To obtain parental agreement to the marriage
- Significant relationship with non-Catholic minister or religious leader
- Religious edifice has particular importance to non-Catholic
- Other: _____

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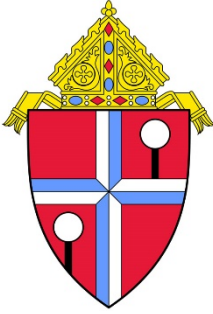
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Permission for a Catholic Wedding in a Secular Location: **DO NOT COMPLETE THIS PAGE**

Such permission only granted for marriages between a Catholic and a non-baptized person.

If objections of conscience arise by non-Catholics to entering a Catholic church building, permission may be sought to celebrate the marriage in a non-Catholic religious building or in another suitable place. If possible, the ceremony should be celebrated in a chapel-like arrangement or in a room apart from the place where the meal or reception will take place.

To receive this permission, the Catholic party must write a letter to the director of canonical affairs of the Diocese of Honolulu (6301 Pali Hwy., Kaneohe, HI 96744) stating the reasons for this request, the name and address of the proposed place, and a complete description of the indoor setting that is proposed for the marriage. The priest or deacon celebrating the wedding must also agree to this.



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Permission for Marriage Where a Party has Prior Natural Obligations toward Another Party or Children

Groom: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Bride: _____ *(always with maiden last name)*

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Date of marriage (or validation): _____

Priest/deacon preparing couple (print): _____

Name of parish: _____

City/state of parish: _____

The details of the prior natural obligations are to be discussed with the priest or deacon during marriage preparation.

Statement by the party with prior natural obligations: I affirm that I am currently meeting all moral and civil legal obligations toward my prior spouse(s) or domestic partner(s) and toward my minor child(ren).

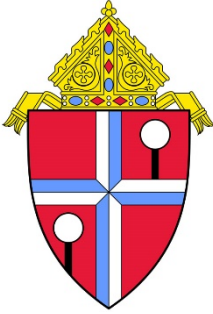
Signature of party: _____ Date: _____

(Documents proving that prior natural obligations are being met do not need to be submitted with this petition but may be included in the marriage file kept at the parish.)

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Permission for Use of Marriage Preparation Equivalent as Substitute for Engaged Encounter

Groom: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Bride: _____ *(always with maiden last name)*

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Religion: Latin (Roman) Catholic Other (specify): _____

Date of marriage (or validation): _____

Priest/deacon preparing couple (print): _____

Name of parish: _____

City/state of parish: _____

Proposed program name: _____

Verify that program covers all of the following topics:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Marital Partnership | <input type="checkbox"/> Suitability of Match as Partners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Readiness to Marry | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious and Moral Formation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication and Problem Solving Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexuality and Children |

Reason(s) why couple cannot complete Engaged Encounter weekend (required):

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