

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-14

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR
PERFORMANCE OF MARRIAGE AND CIVIL
UNION CEREMONIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.
40:48-1.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, the mayor may charge for and collect fees for performing marriage and civil union ceremonies provided the municipality adopts an ordinance fixing those fees.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Registrar has directed municipalities to establish a fee schedule pursuant to the fees allowed by state regulation.

WHEREAS, Ocean Township utilizes the services of a part time elected official as its mayor and the fees for performing such ceremonies pursuant to regulation shall be as follows:

During Business Hours within the community	\$50.00
Outside Business Hours within the community	75.00
During Business Hours outside of the community	100.00
Outside Business Hours outside of the community	150.00

WHEREAS, all fees must be made payable to the Township of Ocean, deposited into the current fund and then disbursed to the mayor through the appropriate budget line item for reimbursement of said fee and any out-of-pocket expenses. Reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses or disbursements to mayor for performance of said marriage ceremony or civil union ceremonies shall be provided by voucher. The Mayor is not required to charge a fee, however, if a fee is paid it must be in the manner and amount set forth above.

WHEREAS, this ordinance is hereby established for the performance of marriage and civil union ceremonies by the Office of Mayor, Township of Ocean. The performance of a marriage or civil union ceremony is not an obligation of the office of the mayor, but should be viewed as an accommodation.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean on first reading at a meeting held on the 14th day of July, 2011. The Ordinance will be considered for second and final reading at a meeting of the Township Committee which is scheduled for the 11th day of August, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached, at the Municipal Building located at 50 Railroad Avenue, Waretown, New Jersey, at which time the public is invited to ask questions, raise objections, or provide public comment with regard to the proposed adoption of this Ordinance.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

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