

DIOCESE OF HALLAM

Pre-nuptial enquiry form – Instructions for use

This form can be completed on a computer and then printed off for completion of signatures etc.

To complete the form on a computer, please ensure the boxes (“fields”) for completion are highlighted. Depending on which version of Adobe Acrobat Reader you have on your computer, you should be able to highlight the boxes (“fields”) by clicking on the ‘Highlight Fields’ button (Reader v.9) or similar.

Please select the first box with your computer mouse and then type in the required information.

You can move from box to box either by using your mouse or by using the TAB key.

There are boxes to be completed on pages 1, 2 and 3 of the form.

Once you have answered all the boxes on the form, please print it off for completion by hand.

If you wish to save the completed form, you need to use the ‘Save As’ option (click on the ‘File’ drop-down menu and click on ‘Save As’) and then rename the file such as “Smith pre-nuptial completed.pdf” or similar.

The original blank form can be re-opened and re-used when needed.

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Parish of

at

Groom

religion

Bride

religion

Date of marriage

time

Place of marriage

Delegation to officiate at the marriage, to a priest or deacon other than the parish priest or his assistant
(to be given by the parish priest or the chancellor)

By virtue of canon 1094 I hereby delegate/subdelegate

to officiate at the above marriage within the boundaries of this parish.

Parish priest/assistant priest

Date

Permission for the marriage to take place outside the parishes of the parties *(to be given by the parish priest or the chancellor)*

By virtue of canon 1115 I hereby grant permission for this marriage to take place outside my parish.

Parish priest

Date

Litterae testimoniales *(to be given by the chancellor for all marriages which are to take place outside England and Wales)*

Visis documentis hisce allegatis, testamur eos esse in statu libero ad matrimonium contrahendum, dummodo interveniat nihil obstat illius diocesis in qua matrimonium sit contrahendum. (Having seen the attached documents, we testify that these parties are free to marry provided that there is no obstacle obtaining in the diocese where the marriage will take place.)

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Nihil Obstat and Exsequatur *(to be given by the chancellor)*

Visis documentis huic curiae exhibitis, nihil obstat quominus matrimonium de quo supra contrahatur, servatis de iure servandis. (Having seen the documents before this curia, we are satisfied that there is no obstacle to the celebration of this marriage, all other requirements being duly observed.)

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GROOM

Name

Address

Telephone number

How long resident there?

Parish of residence

Date and place of birth

Denomination of baptism

Church and place of baptism

Date of baptism

Place and date of confirmation

Present religion

Father's name and occupation (*for the civil register*)

Mother's name (with maiden name)

Previous marriages (religious and civil)

Any impediments to this marriage?

to be answered by the groom in the presence of the priest:

Are you entering marriage freely?

Do you understand and accept that marriage is a lifelong and exclusive commitment to your spouse?

Do you understand and accept that your marriage should be open to the generation and care of children?

Are you attaching any conditions to your consent?

Signature of groom

date

Signature of priest

BRIDE

Name

Address

Telephone number

How long resident there?

Parish of residence

Date and place of birth

Denomination of baptism

Church and place of baptism

Date of baptism

Place and date of confirmation

Present religion

Father's name and occupation (*for the civil register*)

Mother's name (with maiden name)

Previous marriages (religious and civil)

Any impediments to this marriage?

to be answered by the bride in the presence of the priest:

Are you entering marriage freely?

Do you understand and accept that marriage is a lifelong and exclusive commitment to your spouse?

Do you understand and accept that your marriage should be open to the generation and care of children?

Are you attaching any conditions to your consent?

Signature of bride

date

Signature of priest

Application for Permission for Mixed Religion/ Dispensation from the Impediment of Disparity of Cult or from the Obligation of observation of the Canonical Form

Declaration of the catholic party: I declare that I am ready to uphold my catholic faith and to avoid all dangers of falling away from it.

Moreover, I sincerely undertake that I will do all that I can within the unity of our marriage to have all the children of our marriage baptized and brought up in the Catholic Faith.

Signature of catholic party _____ date _____

Declaration of the priest: The catholic party has read and signed/ made verbally before me the above declaration and promises in the presence of the non-catholic party to whom they have been explained.

In my opinion the non-catholic will not oppose the fulfilment of the above declaration and promise in such a way as to make them meaningless.

Signature of priest _____ date _____

Licentia super impedimento mixtae religionis (can. 1125)

Permission for a mixed marriage (to be given by the parish priest or the dean, or the chancellor)

Since the conditions of canon 1125 of the Code of Canon Law have been satisfied, and in virtue of the faculty granted to me by the ordinary of the Diocese, I hereby grant permission for the marriage of _____, a catholic, and _____, a baptised non-catholic; and in order to avoid any anxiety concerning the validity of the baptism of the non-catholic, I also grant a dispensation from the impediment of disparity of cult *ad cautelam*.

Signed _____ parish priest/dean _____ date _____

Dispensatio super impedimento disparitatis cultus (can. 1078)

Dispensation from the impediment of disparity of cult - necessary for validity (must be referred to the Chancellor)

I hereby request this dispensation so that the above persons may validly marry. I submit the following reasons in support of this application:

Signed _____ (parish) priest _____ date _____

In accordance with canon 1078 of the Code of Canon Law, I hereby grant a dispensation from the impediment of Disparity of Cult so that the above catholic party may validly marry the above non-baptised person.

Given at _____ on _____

Signed _____ ordinary/chancellor

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Dispensatio super ritu formae canonicae (can 1127 §2)

Dispensation from the obligation of observing the Canonical Form of Marriage (must be referred to the Chancellor)

I hereby request this dispensation so that the above persons may validly marry in the church of _____ at _____, according to the rites of _____

I submit the following reasons in support of this application (you may write a short accompanying letter of support):

Signed _____ (parish) priest _____ date _____

In accordance with canon 1127 §2, I hereby grant a dispensation from the obligation of observing the Canonical Form of Marriage so that the above catholic party may validly marry the above non-catholic in the place and according to the rite requested.

Given at _____ on _____

Signed _____ ordinary/chancellor