

license TO BECOME EFFECTIVE AT A TIME before the [48-hour] waiting period expires, AS STATED IN THE AUTHORIZATION, if 1 of the parties to be married is:

[(1)] (I) a resident of this State; or

[(2)] (II) a member of the United States armed forces.

[(f)] (E) If, during the questioning of an applicant for a license, the clerk finds that there is a legal reason why the applicants should not be married, the clerk shall withhold the license unless ordered by the court to issue the license.

[(g)] (F) A license may be delivered personally or by mail to:

(1) either of the parties to be married; or

(2) ~~any authorized official, if in the application either of the parties to be married authorizes the delivery.~~ ANY PERSON AUTHORIZED IN WRITING BY EITHER OF THE PARTIES TO ACCEPT DELIVERY.

[(h)] (G) (1) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide to each clerk:

(i) birth control information; and

(ii) a list of the family planning clinics located in the county where the license is issued.

(2) When the clerk issues a license, the clerk shall make the information and list available to each applicant for a license.

[(i)] (H) (1) A clerk may not[:

(i)] predate an application for a license[; or

(ii) deliver any license before the 48-hour waiting period expires, unless a judge of the circuit court for the county in which the application is made signs an authorization for the clerk to deliver the license before the waiting period expires].

(2) A clerk who violates any provision of this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject:

(i) for a first offense, to a fine not exceeding \$100; and

(ii) for each subsequent offense, to a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or both.

[(j)] A clerk may destroy an application if the applicant has not obtained a license within 90 days after applying.]

2-406.

(b) Within 6 months after a license [is issued] BECOMES EFFECTIVE, any authorized official may perform the marriage ceremony of the individuals named in the license.