

**DIOCESE OF OAKLAND**  
**2121 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612-3788**

**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE GROOM / BRIDE. (To be Questioned Separately)**

**Parish:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Party must be instructed regarding the sanctity, sacred character and binding force of an oath, before asking the following)

1 Do you swear to tell the truth in answer to what you are about to be asked? .....

2 Full name: .....

Address: ..... Zip Code: .....

Telephone number: (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

3 Date and place of your birth: .....

4 Father's name: .....

Father's address: .....

Father's religion: .....

Mother's name (including maiden name): .....

Mother's address: .....

Mother's religion: .....

(If parents are deceased, the name and address of at least one person who has been in close contact with this person since childhood must be supplied.)

5 Were you ever baptized? No- Yes- Possibly- In what religion? .....

When and where? .....

(A new baptismal certificate, issued not more than six months previously, must be obtained for a Catholic. A baptismal certificate should also be obtained for a non-Catholic, if possible.)

6 What is your religion now? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you practice it? \_\_\_\_\_

<p>7 <b>TO BE ASKED OF A CATHOLIC ONLY:</b></p> <p>Where and when did you receive First Communion? _____</p> <p>Where and when did you receive Confirmation: _____</p> <p>How actively do you practice your religion: (frequency of Sacraments, attendance at Mass, etc.) _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>How long have you resided in this Parish? _____</p> <p>In this Diocese? _____</p> <p>Have you ever made a Religious vow, which would be an obstacle to marriage or have you received Major Orders? No-<input type="checkbox"/> Yes-<input type="checkbox"/> (explain) _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(If 'Yes', a copy of the rescript of Laicization, Secularization, or Departure from Institute, must be provided before proceeding further.)</p>
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8 Whom do you intend to marry? .....

How long have you known this person? .....

How long have you been engaged? .....

9 (If this party is not yet 18 years of age) Have your parents consented to this marriage? Yes- No- If no, why not?  
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**If either party will not be 20 by the date of marriage, the Diocesan policy on 'Young Marriage' must be followed.**

10 Have you ever been married or attempted marriage, even if only by Common Law Marriage? No- Yes-

**To be asked regarding ALL previous marriages, civil or other denomination:**

To whom? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Before?: Priest- Minister- Civil Official-  
(If a Catholic declaration of nullity has been granted, the priest/deacon will note here the name of granting Tribunal and the date.)

**If no declaration of nullity has been issued, such must be obtained before any further plans for marriage may continue.**

If a prior spouse is deceased, a death certificate and marriage certificate must be presented and copies placed in the pre-nuptial file.

Do you have any obligation arising from charity or justice toward your former spouse or any children born of this previous union? Yes- No-

If 'yes', are these being fulfilled? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, the priest/deacon must consult the Tribunal before proceeding further.

(If the priest/deacon suspects the impediment of *crimen*, he should prudently inquire further if the impediment is present, the priest/deacon must consult the Tribunal before proceeding.)

11 (Here the priest/deacon will carefully inquire concerning various possible impediments to the marriage.)

A Mixed Religion (non-Catholic is baptized): Yes- No- Possibly-

B Disparity of Cult (non-Catholic is not baptized): Yes- No-

C Are you aware of any physical or psychological problem which would make it impossible for you to have normal marital relations? Yes- No-

D Are you related to your intended spouse by blood? (Consanguinity) Yes- No-

E Are you related to your intended spouse by marriage? (Affinity) Yes- No-

**If 'Yes' or 'Possibly' to any of the above, a dispensation must be requested from the Tribunal.**

12 Have you ever been under a doctor's care for a psychological or emotional disorder? Yes- No-

If 'Yes', please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

13 Are you entering this marriage free from pressure from persons or by any circumstances? Yes- No-

If 'No', please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

14 The Church teaches that sacramental marriage is a permanent commitment that can be dissolved only by death. Do you intend to enter such a marriage? Yes- No-

15 The Church teaches that marriage and married love are by their nature ordained towards the procreation and education of children. Do you intend to enter such a marriage? Yes- No-

16 The Church teaches that husband and wife are to remain faithful to one another always.

Do you intend to enter such a marriage? Yes-  No-

**If 'No' to any of the above (13-16), the Priest/Deacon should consult the Tribunal before proceeding further.**

17 Is there anything else you believe you should make known about the proposed marriage? Yes-  No-

(If 'Yes', please write a separate note)

Place \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Groom/Bride

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Priest/Deacon

A duly-authorized Priest of the Church of marriage will use this section to delegate another Priest to assist at this wedding

**DELEGATION/SUBDELEGATION OF A PRIEST/DEACON TO ASSIST AT THE MARRIAGE**

I, the undersigned Pastor/Associate Pastor, hereby delegate/sub-delegate \_\_\_\_\_

to assist within the boundaries of this Parish at the marriage of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Pastor/Associate Pastor

**Please make notation of this delegation in the Marriage Register "notations" column.**