

QUAKER MARRIAGE / CIVIL UNION: FORM C

SPECIMEN WORDING FOR A MARRIAGE OR CIVIL UNION CERTIFICATE

The wording below is based on traditional language. It is normal for the wording, especially the promises to be adapted by the couple in consultation with the registering officer. The certificate includes the full text of the agreed promises.

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and..... (full names)

brought to Monthly Meeting their intention of taking each other in marriage / civil union. The Monthly Meeting agreed that the marriage / civil union should be celebrated in the manner of Friends, and appointed a Meeting for Worship for this purpose.

This is to certify that for the celebration of their marriage / civil union

..... and were present at the Meeting for Worship so appointed

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Taking each other by the hand,

..... declared:

"Friends, I freely take this my

Friend to be my husband / wife / partner in marriage / civil union, promising to be with spiritual help a loving and faithful husband / wife / partner."

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Friend to be my husband / wife / partner in marriage / civil union, promising to be with spiritual help a loving and faithful husband / wife / partner."

They have in this meeting signed this certificate of marriage / civil union.

Signed:

Signed:

Witnesses:

We were present at and witnessed the ceremony:
(followed by space for the signatures) of all present who wish to sign)