

Birmingham (Central) Mosque Trust Ltd.

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Marriage Registration Procedure – Islamic Nikah & Registered Civil Ceremony Combined

1. The couple wishing to marry, both need to contact their local Marriage Registrar office and set a date for an appointment to give notice of their marriage which is also called “Intention of Marriage”.
2. Once they have obtained a date for their appointment, they need to contact the mosque office to book a date for their marriage ceremony, allowing a notice period of at least 29 calendar days (for British citizens) and approx. 70 days if subject to immigration control, commencing the appointment date. They each **MUST** bring at least one form of photo ID (Passport /immigration document confirming residence status) with them to collect a letter of confirmation.
3. A provisional date will be set for the couple and a copy of their ID’s kept on our file. They will be provided with a mosque letter (addressed to the Marriage Registrar office) confirming the provisional date. That letter then be taken to the Register Office and presented there.
4. The couple will be asked after 29 days (70 days) to collect “CERTIFICATE FOR MARRIAGE”, usually known as the blue forms, from the registrar office.
5. The certificate, which is a legal document, must be brought to the Central Mosque and handed over to the main office at least 2 days before the date of marriage.
6. On the day of marriage, an Imam from the mosque and an appointed authorised person will be present to conduct the ceremony. There is a fee for the final certificates of £250.00 payable to the Birmingham Mosque Trust which must be paid before or on the day of marriage.

General Information:

- The mosque **CANNOT** conduct an Islamic Nikah or civil marriage on its own. The mosque’s license to carry both marriages together.
- The mosque does not and will not participate in any culturally defected marriages or sacrilegious practices relating to the sanctity of marriage.
- We don’t allow any external IMAM for Nikkah, and will only be performed by our employed Imam.
- Couples wishing to get married must try their very best to ensure that they have fulfilled all Islamic requirements before, during and after the marriage. This will ensure that an Islamic marriage is valid. A marriage is a bond of love and faith where commitment and future must be considered wisely. Couples who have doubt or uncertainty should consult our scholars, Marriage Bureau advisors or family support service for some friendly and straightforward advice.
- Marriages conducted by the Birmingham Mosque Trust are both registered Civil Ceremonies and Islamic Nikahs and therefore will be kept on file at the Public Records Office.

Useful Contact numbers to book appointment for notice of marriage:

Birmingham Registrar office: 0121 675 1000, Stoke-on-Trent: 01782 235 260

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