

There's a little more paperwork if your home is in a different country, even if you're British.

A white wedding car stopped by a lychgate

If you are both British nationals living abroad, or if you are both British nationals but just one of you lives abroad, you can apply for a [Common Licence](#) to marry in a Church of England church on the basis of having one of seven legally-recognised connections with it. [To see what those connections are, read more here.](#)

The Vicar of the church will help you with the Common Licence application so you need to contact them first.

To find a church in any area of England, use the search below. [If one of you is a foreign national, read more about what you need to do.](#)

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Some confetti lying in the grass

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Wedding rings in presentation boxes

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Bride and groom signing the register with their son on his dad's knee

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Your children are welcome

Wedding flowers with guests, the couple and the bridesmaids out of focus in the background

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When can I marry in church?



Information for same sex couples

The interior of a church with the couple making their wedding vows

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More than a wedding venue

simple flowers in jam jars on the ends of pews

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Booking a church

A vicar laughing with a wedding couple

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Meeting the vicar

A bride and groom being blessed by a vicar

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Seven steps to a heavenly wedding

Inside a church. A church window with a lit candelabra in front of it

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Marriage after divorce

A wedding invitation with pink heart confetti on it

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Information for foreign nationals

A bride holding her bouquet

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Special licences

A wedding ring resting on an open Bible

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Common Licences

Looking up into a church roof

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Do we need a marriage licence?

Some church flowers in focus in wider shot of church

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A close-up of a couple holding hands

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The cost of church weddings

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