

Archives of Ontario Pathfinder to Marriage Registrations


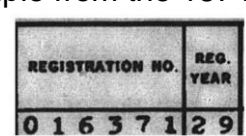
This Pathfinder will guide you through the **Indexes** to the **Registration Number** and then to the **Registration**. To find the matching microfilm reel numbers for the Indexes and the Registrations, consult the appendix listings in the *Marriages Binder* for *Inventory 80 (Records of the Office of the Registrar General)* or follow the links below. All microfilms listed are available through interlibrary loan.

Person's Name: Marriage Date:

Step 1: When did the marriage occur?

Between 1780 and December 1873	Between January 1874 and December 1932	After 1932
<p>See <i>Pathfinder to Pre-1874 Marriage Registrations</i> (*1873 marriages can be located either through this path or the next path described)</p> <p>For other possible sources consult:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Guide 204 (<i>Sources for Births, Marriages and Deaths records</i>). • The "Related Records" and "Associated Materials" sections in the <i>Marriages Binder</i>. 	<p>See: Registration Indexes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click here to view the microfilm list for the Indexes to Marriages, Appendix A6 or view A6 in the <i>Marriages Binder</i> to match the year and first initial of the surname to the corresponding microfilm reel (index) from MS 934 • Retrieve the reel from the microfilm cabinet located in the Self Service Microfilm Area. • Look up the person's name and marriage year in the Index and write down the registration number and registration year (see example below). • 1930 marriages are also online in Reading Room 	<p>1933-1936: These records are available on the ancestry.ca website. Click here to access ancestry.ca</p> <p>1937: These records are closed for digitization at the Archives of Ontario.</p> <p>1938-Present: These records are located at the Office of the Registrar General: 189 Red River Road P.O. Box 4600 Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 6L8 Phone: 416-325-8305 Toll-free in Ontario: 1-800-461-2156 Click here to access the Service Ontario website</p>

Step 2: Did you find the Person's Name on the Indexes to Marriages?

Yes	No
<p style="text-align: center;">Write down:</p> <p>Six-Digit Registration Number (ignore any hyphens):</p> <p>Two-Digit Registration year (<u>not</u> the marriage year):</p> <p>Examples of the registration number and year entry from the Indexes to Marriages:</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Example from the 1874 Index</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Example from the 1929 Index</p> </div>	<p>Consult Original Indexes, 1869-1911:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For July-Dec. 1869, retrieve MS 938, reel 1 • For 1869-1911, Click here to view the microfilm list for the Original Index Books to Marriage Registrations, Appendix A13 or view A13 in the <i>Marriages Binder</i> to identify the microfilm reel you need to consult from MS 941 <p>If you find the person's name:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write down the registration year, county or district, volume number or letter, and folio (page) number. • Click here to view the microfilm list for the Registrations of Marriages (listed geographically), Appendix B2 or view B2 in the <i>Marriage Binder</i> to identify the microfilm reel matching the Registration Year, volume number or letter, and folio number. <p>If the person's name is not on these reels, the marriage was probably NOT registered with the Government of Ontario.</p>

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Step 3: What is the Registration Number?

Between 0-199999	Between 200000-399999	Between 500000-599999	Between 900000-999999
<p>Remove the "0" or "00" at the start of the Registration Number.</p> <p>Click here to view the microfilm list for the Registrations of Marriages, Appendix A5 or view A5 in the <i>Marriages Binder</i> to identify the microfilm reel matching the Registration Year and Registration Number.</p> <p>Look up the Registration number on the microfilm.</p>	<p>Remove the "2" or "3" at the start of the Registration Number.</p> <p>Click here to view the microfilm list for the Registrations of Marriages, Appendix A5 or view A5 in the <i>Marriages Binder</i> to identify the microfilm reel matching the Registration Year and Registration Number.</p> <p>Look up the Registration number on the microfilm.</p>	<p>Click here to view the microfilm list for the Delayed Registrations of Marriages, Appendix A22 or view A22 in the <i>Marriages Binder</i> to identify the microfilm reel matching the Marriage Year and Registration Number.</p> <p>Look up the Registration number on the microfilm.</p>	<p>These records are at the Office of the Registrar General 189 Red River Road P.O. Box 4600 Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 6L8 Phone: 416-325-8305 Toll-free in Ontario: 1-800-461-2156 Click here to access the Service Ontario website</p>