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MINISTER

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- Ministers cannot certify themselves with a religious society or congregation.
- Ministers must be licensed to solemnize marriages in Ohio. If you have questions or would like to request an application, contact the **Ohio Secretary of State** at **(614) 466-3910** or toll-free at **(877) 767-3453**.
- The license to marry is valid only as long as you remain a minister serving and representing the religious society or congregation as it appears on the State License to Solemnize Marriages in Ohio. Also, for more information check on line at <http://www.sos.state.oh.us>, or contact this office at **(614) 728-9200** or toll-free at **(877) 767-6446**.
- Ohio's Minister's license laws can be found in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 3101. <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/3101>
- The **ORC** and **OAC** can be found in your local library or on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov/>.
- NAICS 8131/17

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