

DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP REGISTRATION

Domestic Partnerships may be registered by same sex or opposite sex partners only if each are 62 years of age or older.

To register a domestic partnership in the State of New Jersey, applicants must:

- Complete and sign an Affidavit of Domestic Partnership form together in the presence of a Notary Public.
- File the affidavit form with the local registrar of vital statistics in any municipality in New Jersey to obtain a Certificate of Domestic Partnership.
- Remit \$28.00 fee at time affidavit is filed.
- Provide valid identification for each applicant that establishes their name, age, and date of birth.
- Identify a common residence in the State of New Jersey or share a common residence in another jurisdiction if at least one of the applicants is a member of a New Jersey State-administered retirement system.
- Provide proof of joint financial responsibility as evidenced by one or more of the following:
 - 1) Joint deed, mortgage agreement or lease.
 - 2) Joint bank account.
 - 3) Designation of one of the persons as primary beneficiary in the other person's will.
 - 4) Designation of one of the persons as primary beneficiary in the other person's life insurance policy or retirement plan.
 - 5) Joint ownership of a motor vehicle.

The Vital Statistics Office for Lawrence Township is located in the Health Department at the municipal building, 2207 Lawrence Road (U.S. Route 206). Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applicants should contact the office at 609-844-7093 to set-up an appointment to file an affidavit form.