



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

## Wedding Anniversary Messages

In order to receive a congratulatory message from The Queen for Diamond (60th), 65th and Platinum (70th) wedding anniversaries and every year thereafter, it is necessary to complete the form overleaf and return it to the Anniversaries Office, Buckingham Palace. **Please DO NOT return this form until three weeks before the celebration date.** It is possible to receive a belated message up to six months after the event.

**There is no charge for this service, but it will be essential for you to provide this office with documentary proof of the occasion as noted below in section 1 and also section 2 (if applicable):-**

- 1a)** A good **photocopy** of the celebrants' marriage certificate which will be returned to you. You will receive prompt acknowledgement of your application confirming that a message will be sent and returning all documents to you.

You can obtain a certified copy of the marriage certificate from the appropriate General Register Office:

**in England or Wales**

The General Register Office  
Southport  
Tel. 0845 603 7788

**in Scotland**

The General Register Office  
Edinburgh  
Tel. 013 1314 4488

**or in Northern Ireland**

The General Register Office  
Belfast  
Tel. 028 9025 2000

- 1b)** Alternatively, if you do not have a copy of the marriage certificate and do not wish to purchase one, for those married in England, Wales or Scotland, you may prefer to telephone the appropriate General Register Office (telephone numbers as above). You will need to give them the celebrants' names, address and the date and place of the marriage and for a small fee they will verify the details in their records and pass the information **directly to the Anniversaries Office**. If you choose this option it is not necessary to return this form or to send a copy of the marriage certificate.

For those married in Northern Ireland you may obtain a confirmatory search letter for a small fee from the appropriate General Register Office (telephone number as above) which you should forward to the Anniversaries Office with this completed application form.

- 2)** As it is The Queen's custom only to send messages to citizens of one of Her Realms or UK Overseas Territories, those born or married overseas, or who currently live abroad, must provide evidence of their British nationality. This can be in the form of photocopies of the relevant pages of a current British passport.

*For residents in Australia, Canada and New Zealand you must apply directly to your Governor-General. For contact details please telephone the Anniversaries Office on 0207 930 4832 or visit the website below.*

**The Anniversaries Office, Buckingham Palace, London SW1A 1AA  
Tel. 0207 930 4832**

For further information and to view frequently asked questions please see our website  
[www.royal.gov.uk](http://www.royal.gov.uk)

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Type	Date	Forename(s)	Surname
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## Application for Anniversary Message

Please complete all sections, where appropriate, in black ballpoint pen in block capitals.

Celebrants' Details	
Type of Anniversary	Marriage Date
Surname	Titles
Forenames      Husband	Wife
Town of Marriage	Maiden Name
Present Home Address	
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	Post Code
Anniversary Date	Celebration Date (if up to 5 days earlier)
It is possible to receive a belated message up to 6 months after the anniversary date. If this application is for a belated message, please tick the box.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	

Applicant Details	
Surname	Title
Forename(s)	
Address	
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	Post Code
Telephone Number (Day)	Relationship to Celebrants

Further Comments (if any)
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**Data Protection**

The information you provide on this form will be processed on a database, strictly for the purposes of your application and in accordance with relevant legislation. It may be distributed to other government agencies solely for the administering of anniversary messages.