

Rhode Island

Place of event	Cost of copy	Address	Remarks
Birth or Death	\$20.00	RI Department of Health Office of Vital Records Room 101 3 Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02908-5097	<p>State office keeps birth and marriage/civil union records for 100 years and keeps death records for 50 years. In general, copies can be obtained from the State office, the city/town clerk where the event occurred or the city of residence at the time of the occurrence. Additional copies of the same record ordered at the same time are \$15.00 each.</p> <p>Information for city/town addresses are available via the Internet at: http://www.health.ri.gov/chic/vital/clerks.php.</p> <p>For earlier records, write to the city/town clerk where the event occurred or to the Rhode Island State Archives, 337 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903.</p> <p>Personal check or money order should be made payable to Rhode Island General Treasurer. To verify current fees after office hours, the telephone number is (401) 222-2811. To verify current fees and general information during office hours, please call the Health Hot Line at (401) 222-5960. Information on how to obtain certified copies is also available via the Internet at http://www.health.ri.gov.</p> <p>All requests must be accompanied by a photocopy of the applicant's valid government-issued picture identification, e.g., driver's license. In lieu of a valid government-issued picture identification, two pieces of mail are accepted showing the correct name and address of the individual requesting the record.</p>
Pre-Adoption Non-Certified Birth	\$20.00	Same as Birth or Death	<p>In June, 2011 the State of Rhode Island passed a law allowing adult adoptees born in Rhode Island access to a non-certified copy of their unaltered, original birth certificate. If you are an adoptee who was born in Rhode Island and you are age 25 or older, you can request a non-certified copy of your original, pre-adoption birth record from the State Office of Vital Records. According to state law, we can only release your record to you, the adoptee. Relatives cannot request copies of your record on your behalf. Please visit the web-site at www.health.ri.gov under Adult Adoptees for</p>

further information on applications, ID requirements and access.

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Marriage/Civil Union	\$20.00	Same as Birth or Death
Divorce	\$3.00	Clerk of Family Court 1 Dorrance Plaza Providence, RI 02903