

Name Change After Wedding Checklist

Checklist · 35 items · 10 sections

Every document and account to update after getting married, in the right order.

Open the editable, AI-powered version online:

<https://genechecklist.com/checklist/name-change-after-wedding-checklist>

FIRST STEP: GET YOUR CERTIFICATE

- Obtain certified copies of your marriage certificate from the registrar (get at least 3-4 copies)
HIGH
- Decide whether to take partner's surname, double-barrel, or create a new name
HIGH
- If creating a hyphenated or entirely new name, obtain a deed poll document

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS: DO FIRST

- Apply to update your passport (use marriage certificate as evidence: no deed poll needed)
HIGH
- Update driving licence with DVLA (online or by post: requires marriage certificate)
HIGH
- Notify HMRC of your name change (via personal tax account or by phone)
HIGH
- Update National Insurance records with HMRC
HIGH
- Update your name on the electoral roll (register to vote)

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

- Update all bank and savings accounts
HIGH
- Update credit cards
HIGH
- Update mortgage or rental agreements
HIGH
- Update pension provider
HIGH

- Update investments, ISAs, and savings accounts

INSURANCE

- Update life insurance policy
HIGH
- Update home insurance and contents insurance
HIGH
- Update car insurance
HIGH
- Update travel insurance
- Update health insurance (if private)

HEALTHCARE

- Update GP surgery records
HIGH
- Update NHS records
HIGH
- Update dentist records
- Update any specialist or hospital records

WORK AND EMPLOYMENT

- Notify employer HR department and update payroll records
HIGH
- Update professional qualifications and licences
- Update LinkedIn and professional profiles
- Update work email address if applicable
- Update student loan records if applicable

HOUSEHOLD

- Update utility bills: gas, electric, water, broadband, council tax
HIGH
- Update TV licence
- Update any subscriptions (gym, streaming services, magazine)

LOYALTY AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Update loyalty cards and rewards accounts (supermarket, airlines)

ONLINE PRESENCE

- Update social media profiles if desired
- Update personal email address if desired

LEGAL DOCUMENTS

- Update will and any power of attorney documents
- Update any property deeds or land registry documents

HIGH