

**How** - Both partners must appear together and fill out an affidavit of domestic partnership, which must be signed in the presence of a notary public. You may take this with you and have it notarized or the registrar can notarize it. Return to the registrar with all the proof required and the registrar will turn it in to the state.

**Who** - Any couple of the same sex age 18 years or older, or any couple of the opposite sex 62 years or older, that meet the following criteria:

1. Share a common residence.
2. Live in the State of NJ or be a member in the State of NJ administered retirement system.
3. Are jointly responsible for each other's common welfare as evidenced by one of the items listed in the proof requirements section.
4. Agree to be jointly responsible for each other's basic living expenses during the partnership.
5. Are unrelated to each other by blood or marriage up to and including the fourth degree of consanguinity.
6. Neither partner is currently in a marriage recognized by New Jersey law.

### **WHAT YOU WILL NEED**

Valid identification that establishes applicant name, age, and date of birth. Ex. Drivers License/Birth Certificate/Passport.

Provide proof of joint financial responsibility as evidenced by one or more of the following: Joint deed, Mortgage agreement or lease, Joint bank account, Designation of one of the persons as primary beneficiary in the other person's life insurance policy or retirement plan; Joint ownership of a motor vehicle.

Provide proof of common residence in the state of New Jersey. Ex. Same address on driver's licenses, household bills with both names, lease, mortgage, etc.

Non-New Jersey residents must provide proof of membership in State of New Jersey administered retirement plan as evidenced by one or more or more of the following: Personal Benefits Statement for the previous year; 1099R from the previous calendar year; Certificate of Pension membership.

### **COST**

**\$28.00 payable by check to Logan Township or in cash  
\$2.00 to receive a certified copy, payable by cash or check at the time of  
application**

### **WHERE**

*A domestic partnership can be registered with any Registrar of Vital Statistics in the state of New Jersey if the couple resides in New Jersey or if one partner can show proof of membership in a State of New Jersey administered retirement system. Please check with the municipality that you will be going to, for registrar hours and requirements.*

### **WHEN**

*Please apply during the hours of 10:00 am to 3:30 pm any weekday (except holidays.)  
There is NO WAITING PERIOD—if ALL requirements are met, the partnership is  
registered immediately and you will have an informational copy to take with you. One  
certified copy may be produced immediately at an additional charge. Additional certified  
copy requests may be completed as time permits.*

### **AFTER REGISTRATION**

*Each partner will be given a copy of registration form. Each partner will be given Rights  
and Obligations Pamphlet. It is recommended that you request certified copies from the  
registrar for legal purposes at the additional cost listed above. This IS NOT a legal name  
changing process.*

**For more information on Domestic Partnerships  
1-866-722-8218  
Monday through Friday 8:30-4:30 voicemail for off-hours**