Planning a Beach Wedding?

Although at the current time British Law does not permit a Wedding Ceremony outside we can offer a solution in the form of a Civil Marriage Ceremony conducted in the Register Office, followed by a Beach “Affirmation of Vows”.

When the Beach Ceremony is conducted immediately following the Civil Ceremony we offer a special package with the Porthcressa Room set aside for a wet weather venue, but we can also perform the civil ceremony some time in advance. Of course, you may wish to sort this out at home before you come to Scilly for your Beach Ceremony.

**The Civil Ceremony.**

This would take place in the Register Office with just the couple and their two witnesses. You can opt not to exchange Rings at this time and keep the ceremony as low key as you wish to make it. The signing of the register will take place before the Affirmation can take place.

**The Affirmation of Vows.**

This can take place at any venue, indoors or outside, beach or cliff top!, and is led by a Celebrant. Off island venues/beaches can be considered.

We offer a ceremony planner for you to tailor your ceremony, choosing or writing your own vows and selecting readings, music etc. to make it unique to you. It can follow the lines of a wedding ceremony and as the ceremony has no legal significance you may include items of a religious nature if you would like to.

You will be given every opportunity to work with the celebrant to make this an unforgettable occasion.

At present we can not provide outdoor seating, but we do provide beach stakes dressed with flowers and bows to identify the beach area for your ceremony. Please discuss any requests with the Registration Team.

**Both Civil Ceremony and Affirmation on an off island**

At present we are only able to offer this service on St Martins, where you could hold the Civil Ceremony in the Hotel or Seven stones Inn and then have your Affirmation on the Beach afterwards. Prices will vary if the beach ceremony does not take place immediately after the civil ceremony, so please ask the Superintendent Registrar for details. Arrangements will need to be made and fees will also be payable to the Venue.

**PRICES;**

Civil Ceremony in Register Office immediately followed by Affirmation on St Mary’s Apr 2025–Mar 2026 Apr 2026–Mar 2027

Monday – Friday £524 £534

Saturday £590 £601

Sundays & Bank Holidays £620 £631

Between 6pm and Midnight £786 £800

Civil Ceremony in Register Office on St Mary’s and Affirmation on Off Islands

Monday – Friday £804 £818

Saturday £842 £858

Sundays & Bank Holidays £999 £1032

Between 6pm and Midnight £1479 £1508

Civil Ceremony and Affirmation on St Martins

Monday – Friday £904 £918

Saturday £942 £958

Sundays & Bank Holidays £1099 £1132

Between 6pm and Midnight £1579 £1608