



## Marriage and Divorce

### Navigating Marriage and Divorce in Australia: How Dojo Legal Australia Can Assist

Marriage and divorce are significant life events that can have profound legal and personal implications. In Australia, these matters are primarily governed by the *Family Law Act 1975* (Cth) and the *Marriage Act 1961* (Cth). At Dojo Legal Australia, our experienced lawyers are dedicated to guiding clients through these complex processes with expertise and compassion.

### Understanding Marriage and Divorce Laws in Australia

#### Marriage

The *Marriage Act 1961* (Cth) outlines the legal requirements for a valid marriage in Australia. These include:

- **Age and Consent:** Both parties must be at least 18 years old, although exceptions can be made for individuals aged 16 or 17 with court approval.
- **Prohibited Relationships:** Marriages between close relatives, such as siblings or a parent and child, are not permitted.
- **Consent:** Both parties must give their full and free consent to marry.

#### Divorce

Under the *Family Law Act 1975* (Cth), Australia operates a no-fault divorce system. This means that the only ground for divorce is the irretrievable breakdown of the marriage, demonstrated by 12 months of separation. Key aspects include:



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- **Separation:** Couples must live separately for at least 12 months before applying for a divorce. It is possible to be separated under the same roof, but evidence must be provided.
- **Application Process:** Divorce applications are filed with the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. If there are no children under 18, the process is generally straightforward.

## How Dojo Legal Australia Can Assist

At Dojo Legal Australia, we understand that marriage and divorce can be emotionally challenging. Our team of experienced lawyers is here to provide comprehensive legal support tailored to your unique circumstances.

### Expert Guidance

Our lawyers are well-versed in the intricacies of family law and can offer expert guidance on all aspects of marriage and divorce, including:

- **Pre-nuptial and Post-nuptial Agreements:** We can assist in drafting agreements that protect your assets and outline financial arrangements in the event of a separation.
- **Divorce Applications:** Our team will guide you through the divorce application process, ensuring all legal requirements are met and your rights are protected.

### Personalised Support

We recognise that every client's situation is unique. Our lawyers take the time to understand your specific needs and provide personalised support throughout the legal process. Whether you require assistance with property settlements, spousal maintenance, or parenting arrangements, we are here to help.

### Mediation and Dispute Resolution



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At Dojo Legal Australia, we encourage amicable resolutions through mediation and family dispute resolution. Our lawyers are skilled negotiators who can facilitate discussions to achieve fair and equitable outcomes without the need for court intervention.

### **Representation in Court**

If court proceedings become necessary, our experienced litigators will represent your interests with diligence and professionalism. We are committed to achieving the best possible outcome for our clients.

### **Key Takeaways**

Navigating the legal complexities of marriage and divorce can be daunting, but you don't have to face it alone. At **Dojo Legal Australia**, our experienced lawyers are dedicated to providing the support and expertise you need to move forward with confidence. Contact us today to learn how we can assist you in your family law matters.

Do you have additional questions regarding **Marriage** or **Divorce**? Please feel free to contact us by email at [admin@dojolegal.com.au](mailto:admin@dojolegal.com.au), or by phone on **+61 02 9138 0688** to arrange a consultation with our experienced lawyers.

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