

# THE ULTIMATE NEWLYWED CHECKLIST



From a name change to starting a will, here's what to consider after your honeymoon.

## 1. CHANGE YOUR LEGAL NAME (IF YOU CHOOSE TO)

- Use your marriage certificate to apply for a new Social Security card, which you will use to get a new driver's license and/or passport. Or consult a name-change concierge.

## 2. NOTIFY PEOPLE OF YOUR MARITAL STATUS AND NAME CHANGE

- Banks and credit card companies
- Employer (payroll and benefits providers)
- Issuers of other forms of identification, like the passport office
- Service providers (utility companies, the post office, doctor offices, etc.)
- Providers of health insurance and other insurers, like [GEICO](#)

## 3. ASSESS YOUR [INSURANCE](#) NEEDS

- Consider adding your spouse to existing policies and increasing your protection (an "endorsement") to cover valuables like wedding rings.

## 4. START A WILL

- Take stock of your finances and assets, and research will-writing.

## 5. ORDER PHOTOS AND SEND THANK-YOUS

- Rule of thumb: Send thank-yous within three months.

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