

What is the minimum wording to make your marriage legal?

My name is Anne Miller, and I am a celebrant, duly authorised to solemnise marriages according to law in Australia.

Before you are joined in marriage in my presence and in the presence of these witnesses, I am to remind you of the solemn and binding nature of the relationship into which you are now about to enter.

Marriage, according to law in Australia, is the union of two people to the exclusion of all others, voluntarily entered into for life.

This is where you will each make a legal vow (you can pop a ring on too if you wish):

I call upon the people present to witness that I, (full name), take you, (full name), to be my lawful wedded husband/ wife / spouse / partner in marriage.

That's it! Done!

You each sign the paperwork, your two witnesses sign, then me, ... and you're married!