## **Domestic Partner Registry**

P.L. 2003, c. 672, enacted by the Legislature and signed into law on April 28, 2004, establishes the concept of domestic partners in Maine law. Under the law, registered domestic partners are accorded a legal status similar to that of a married person with respect to matters of probate, guardianships, conservatorships, inheritance, protection from abuse, and related matters. The legislation establishes a Domestic Partner Registry housed within the Division of Health Systems, Maine CDC vital records office. A Division of the Maine Department of Health and Human Services.

Maine CDC has developed forms for the declaration and termination of registered domestic partnerships. Those forms are posted on this site and are available as a PDF file. Please see the links below. Forms are also available at Municipal Offices in Maine.

PDF formats require Adobe Acrobat or the <u>free Adobe Reader (download here)</u>, Version 6 or higher, to view and print. Print the forms using the Adobe printer icon, not your browser printer icon. Some of the forms are available in both PDF and MS-Word or format. MS Word documents require MS Word or the <u>free Word Viewer (download here)</u> to view or print.

## **PDF Versions:**

- Instructions and Information for the Domestic Partner Registry (pdf\*)
- <u>Declaration of Domestic Partnership Form (pdf\*)</u>
- Termination of Domestic Partnership by Mutual Consent Form (pdf\*)
- Alternate Notice of Termination of Domestic Partnership Form (3 pages) (pdf\*)