



## One of the frequently asked inquiries is "Do you need a qualification to work as a professional celebrant?"

The simple answer is NO. In this detailed explanation, we will discuss why we believe the current OFQUAL Celebrant qualification is unnecessary, a waste of time and money, and sets many aspiring celebrants up for failure.

While qualifications are important for young individuals entering the workforce, for adults, practical skills training, competency, testimonials, and experience are more crucial for success.

Many individuals who have completed the course have backgrounds in education or teaching. Those who have not written an essay in years feel intimidated and excluded, despite their natural abilities to excel as celebrants.

As an enthusiastic training provider, we find it frustrating and misleading that some celebrant training organisations imply in their marketing that this qualification is essential. We are pleased to see more organisations acknowledging (albeit in small print on their websites) that this qualification is not necessary.

### Let's address the five most common myths about the Celebrancy Qualification:

The current NOCN Certificate/Diploma in Civil Celebrancy in the UK will not grant new legal powers if marriage laws change in England & Wales to allow Independent Celebrants to conduct legal marriage services. The existing qualification does not meet the requirements for legal marriage in Scotland, Australia, or New Zealand. A proper qualification for new legal marriage powers will be different from the current one.

Claims that the qualification will be needed for Funeral Celebrancy regulation are false. The qualification is not a prerequisite for working as a Funeral Celebrant.

The Celebrant NOCN Certificate & Diploma do not indicate competency in the Funeral or Wedding Industry. Completing the qualification through coursework does not guarantee actual competency in essential skills.

The quality of celebrant training is not ensured by delivering the qualification. Some training organisations focus on academic assessment rather than practical skills development needed for client interactions and business success.

Newly trained celebrants should focus on building networks and securing bookings rather than pursuing a qualification they do not need. Effective networking and client engagement are key to becoming a successful professional celebrant.

If you wish to learn more about why our courses are popular, valuable, and effective, feel free to reach out to us on [0333 455 9029](tel:03334559029).