

LDS Temple Work Guidelines

The following are guidelines for submitting names for temple ordinances

❖ Baptism and Endowment

- Ancestor's name
- Sex
- Event Date and Event Place (Example of an event can include birth, christening, marriage, death and burial)

❖ Sealing to Parents

- Information required to do the baptism and endowment
- Fathers name

❖ Sealing of Husband and Wife

- Name of the husband
- You do not necessarily need the name of the wife
- Marriage date
- Marriage place

❖ Deceased one year

- Individuals must be deceased for more than one year (unless the individual was a worthy member of the church who died before age twenty-one or who, for reasons beyond the individual's control, was unable to go to a temple in mortality).

❖ Born within the last ninety-five years

- Individuals born within the last ninety-five years, if there is anyone more closely related to the deceased individual you should obtain the relative's permission for the ordinance work, even if the relative is not a member of the church.

❖ Individuals who lived before A.D. 1500 or members of royalty

- Do not submit for temple work names of individuals who lived before A.D. 1500 or who are members of royalty without first consulting with the Family History Department in Salt Lake City. Many such names have already been submitted.

❖ Errors in the Internet International Genealogical Index

- If you find that the IIGI misspells your ancestor's name or lists incorrect ordinance dates or places, do not resubmit your ancestor's name for temple work. The ordinances are still valid.

❖ Celebrities or other people whom you are not related

- Do not submit names of celebrities or other people to whom you are not related. Everyone whose name you submit should be an ancestor or close relative.

This information comes from the following resources

- A Member's Guide to Temple and Family History Work
- Religion 261 manual 261.byu.edu