



High Commission of the Republic of Mauritius
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Marriage of a non-citizen to a citizen of Mauritius

The Civil Status Office in Mauritius is responsible for registration of births, deaths, **marriages** and other matters relating to the civil status of persons in Mauritius and for the issue of civil status certificates.

Marriage of a non-citizen to a citizen of Mauritius

The non-citizen should have resided in Mauritius for a continuous period of at least 7 days before publication. The publication of a proposed civil marriage between a non-citizen and a citizen of Mauritius is made only at the Central Civil Status Office in Port Louis.

The civil marriage shall take place at the Central Civil Status Office after a period of 10 days as from the date of publication. Two witnesses are required to be present at time of the marriage ceremony.

Documents to be produced for non-citizen

- (i) Passport.
- (ii) Birth certificates.
- (iii) Divorce documents if applicable.
- (iv) A certificate or certificates issued by the competent authorities or his/her country of residence attesting that he/she is of good character and is not the suspect in relation to any pending criminal proceedings, investigation or process. However, in case his/her country does not issue certificates of good character, the non-citizen can produce instead an affidavit certifying to the matters as specified above, sworn and duly authenticated in accordance with the law of his/her country of residence.
- (v) An affidavit sworn before the Master and Registrar of the Supreme Court of Mauritius, as well as a certificate from his/her country of residence, attesting that he/she is in gainful employment or, alternatively, has sufficient means to maintain himself/herself and
- (vi) Medical certificate attesting that he/she is not suffering from any infections or contagious disease.

(vii) Both parties should disclose to each other whether they are HIV positive or have AIDS.

(All Documents to be submitted in original copies and duly authenticated)

Documents to be produced for Mauritian citizen

- (i) Birth certificate issued within the last three months.
- (ii) Divorce documents if applicable.
- (iii) Certificate of citizenship if applicable
- (iv) Death/Marriage certificate(s) if widow/widower
- (v) National Identity Card

Marriage of two non-citizens

Application for a certificate of non-citizen/non-resident should reach the Central Civil Status Office, 7th Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis at least one month before the intended date of marriage.

The civil marriage may be celebrated after one day of publication.

On their arrival in Mauritius the parties should call on the Registrar of Civil Status, Central Civil Status Office for verification of original documents.

Documents to be forwarded

- (i) Two photocopies of each birth certificate drawn up in English/French.
- (ii) Two photocopies of each passport.
- (iii) Relevant documents in respect of divorce, widow/widower or change of name.

Two witnesses are required to be present at time of the marriage ceremony.

Wedding of two non-citizens in Mauritius

Application for a certificate of non-citizen/non-resident should reach the Central Civil Status Office, 7th Floor, Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis at least one month before the intended date of marriage.

The civil marriage may be celebrated after one day of publication. On their arrival in Mauritius the parties should call on the Registrar of Civil Status, Central Civil Status Office for verification of original documents.

Documents to be forwarded:

- (i) Two photocopies of each birth certificate drawn up in English/French.
- (ii) Two photocopies of each passport.
- (iii) Relevant documents in respect of divorce, widow/widower or change of name.
- (iv) In addition to above documents, a French national should produce a "Certificat de capacité de mariage".
- (v) The parties will also be required to swear an affidavit before the Chief Registrar, Supreme Court in this connection.

Two witnesses are required to be present at time of the marriage ceremony.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office below

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