

Birth of a child in Nigeria (in wedlock)

Entry in the Swiss civil status register

Documents to submit

The original documents (except Birth Certificate) will be submitted to the responsible civil status authority concerned in Switzerland. They will not be returned. Copies are not accepted. Additional documents may be required if necessary.

From the child:

Certificate of Birth	Original, issued by the National Population Commission (NPC)
valid Nigerian passport	

From the parents:

Passport copy	
Copy of Certificate of	(Wohnsitzbestätigung/Certificat de domicile)
residence of the parent living in Switzerland	If available / if applicable
Copy of Swiss Family	(Zivilstandsbestätigung / Certificat d'état civil /
Certificate	Personenstandsausweis / Familienausweis)
	If available

Thorough verification

Nigerian civil status documents will undergo a thorough verification of their authenticity by a law firm mandated by the Embassy. Additional documents may be required, depending on the result of the verification by the lawyer or the requirements of the authorities concerned in Switzerland.

The verification of the documents through the lawyer may take up to 4 months.

Fees

The fees for this procedure vary (depending on the exchange rate). Please contact the Embassy of Switzerland in Abuja to enquire about the current fees.