

**Regional Consular Center Nordic and Baltic Countries** 

# Divorce/Dissolution of registered partnership in Iceland: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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## Documents to submit

- □ Certified copy of Certificate of divorce\* (Notification of finale divorce).
- □ **Form** "Questionnaire concerning divorce" (see <u>https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/norway/en/home.html</u> Services > Civil status > Divorce(Dissolution of registered partnership abroad).

## For the Swiss partner:

- □ **Certificate** of marital status\*.
- □ Certificate regarding change of name and surnames\* (Certificate of change of name).
- □ A copy of the Swiss passport and/or foreign passport (pages with personal data and signature).

### For the <u>lcelandic</u> partner:

- □ **Certificate** of marital status\*.
- □ **Certificate** regarding **change of name and surnames**\* (Certificate of change of name).
- □ A copy of the Icelandic passport (pages with personal data and signature).

The original documents are submitted to the civil status authority concerned in Switzerland and **must not be older than six months**. They will not be returned. Photocopies are not accepted. Additional documents may be required if necessary.

All documents, certificates and certified copies must be submitted **as originals** (exception: copies of passports).

All documents from Iceland (marked with \*) must be legalized with an apostille (see legalization).

#### Translation

Documents in English are accepted.

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## Legalisation

All documents from Iceland (marked with \*) must be legalized with **an apostille**. In Iceland, apostilles are issued by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs <u>https://www.government.is/ministries/ministry-for-foreign-affairs/</u>.

#### Fees

Entry of the divorce/dissolution of partnership in the Swiss civil status register is free of charge.

#### Additional information

If civil status documents do not come from Iceland or Switzerland, please contact the Regional Consular Centre in Stockholm beforehand. Depending on the origin of the documents, different regulations apply and the processing can take more time.

Please be informed that civil status affairs have to be registered chronologically in the Swiss Civil Register.

All submitted documents and certificates will be verified and sent to the competent authorities in Switzerland for registration in the Swiss Civil Register. A delay of **at least two months** is to be expected until the divorce is registered. After this period, the <u>civil status office</u> responsible for the Swiss national's place of origin can provide information on the status of the registration. The Regional Consular Centre informs the involved person by email, as soon as the civil status authorities decided about the inscription in the Register.

Only after the completed registration of divorce and possible change of name in the Swiss Civil Register, an application for a Swiss passport and/or Identity card may be submitted. You may file such an application through the website <u>www.schweizerpass.ch</u>. (Passport and identity card for Swiss citizens living abroad > online application).

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Regional Consular Centre in Stockholm by e-mail or telephone.

### Where to obtain the documents

Notification of finale divorce

→ competent District commissioner

Certificate of marital status → Registers Iceland

Certificate of change of name → Registers Iceland