



## After your marriage performed in Mauritius: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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### Documents to submit

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- Original Marriage Certificate\***, issued by the local Registration Office, **legalized with an Apostille** (see page 2)
- Original Birth Certificate\* of Mauritian spouse**, issued by the local Registration Office, **legalized with an Apostille** (see page 2)
- Photocopy of valid Swiss Passport or valid ID Card of Swiss spouse
- Photocopy of valid Passport or ID card of the Mauritian spouse, indicating the surname after the marriage
- If the Swiss spouse is a dual citizen: photocopy of Mauritian Passport or ID card indicating the surname after the marriage
- Marriage questionnaire, completed and signed by both spouses

If the Mauritian spouse has been previously married or if widowed:

- Original certified copy of the divorce sentence\***, issued by the competent Court Supreme of Mauritius and **legalized with an Apostille** (see page 2)
- Original Death Certificate\*** of the previous Mauritian spouse, issued by the Registration Office and **legalized with an Apostille** (see page 2)

If the surname after marriage of the Swiss citizen is neither clearly indicated on the marriage certificate nor on any other official document, a **Declaration of Name** can be requested by the authorities of Switzerland. This declaration of name has to be completed and signed in person by both spouses at the Regional Consular Centre (RCC) in Pretoria.

The original certificates are submitted to the competent civil status authority in Switzerland and will not be returned (**photocopies or certified copies are not accepted**). Additional documents may be required by the Swiss civil status authority.

All documents marked with a \* **must not be older than six months** (date of issue) at the time of their submission to the Regional Consular Centre (RCC).

### Translation

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Documents that are issued in English or in a Swiss national language (French, German Italian or Romansch) do not need to be accompanied by a translation.

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## Apostille

The Apostille can be obtained from the Prime Minister's Office, Hôtel du Gouvernement, Port Louis.  
Please find below the link to the website:

<https://govmu.org/EN/infoservices/govadministration/Pages/pmoffice.aspx>

## Fees

Entry of the marriage in the Swiss civil status register is free of charge, however in certain cases fees can occur. If this is the case, you will be informed accordingly.

## Further information

If the documents are sent by mail: Please include a cover letter mentioning your personal and contact details. It is however strongly recommended to use a private courier company.

**Only once the marriage has been registered in Switzerland, a new Swiss passport can be issued in case of surname change after the marriage.**

Please contact the Regional Consular Centre Southern Africa (RCC) at the Embassy of Switzerland in Pretoria if a **citizen of a different country is concerned or the marriage took place outside of Mauritius.**

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