



MARRIAGE



civil

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ON YOUR ENGAGEMENT!



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Theory

Preparatory procedure

Meaning of civil marriage:

Civil marriage is the act by which two people officially declare, before a civil registrar, their desire to marry. Once celebrated, the marriage is legally recognized in Switzerland.

What you need to know, "*the conditions*":

- ♥ Be at least 18 years of age
- ♥ Have the capacity for discernment
- ♥ Not already married to a third party
- ♥ Not have a direct family relationship (direct line or siblings)
- ♥ If one of the persons is not a Swiss national, he or she must Prove that she is legally resident in Switzerland during the preparatory procedure and until the marriage
- ♥ Same-sex marriage allowed since July 1, 2022
- ♥ Permission to have both surnames (the child only one, you must choose).

What to do *in a nutshell*:

For Switzerland

- ♥ Choosing the municipality of marriage
- ♥ Contact the civil registry office (set the date if field)
- ♥ Submit the marriage application (valid for 3 months) Explanations below
- ♥ Provide documents
- ♥ Wait for validation
- ♥ Set the date
- ♥ Celebrating the civil marriage

Submitting the application: *detailed steps*

Ideally, find out **9 to 12 months before** the desired date:

- ♥ Verify that all conditions are met
- ♥ Contact the civil registry office in your municipality of residence
- ♥ Make an appointment for the signing of the file
- ♥ Present yourself with the requested documents (according to the official email received)
- ♥ Pay the administrative costs, Payment is made immediately
- ♥ Mention if you wish to celebrate the marriage in another municipality
- ♥ Indicate the chosen name after the wedding

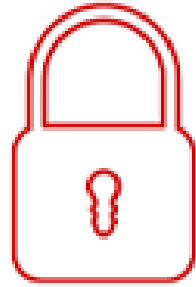
In general:

- ♥ Valid ID
- ♥ A recent certificate of residence (less than 6 months, cost of 10.- per person for the proxy)
- ♥ Birth certificate with filiation
- ♥ Attestation of origin (if required)
- ♥ Valid residence permit (for foreigners)
- ♥ Translated and authenticated foreign documents (variable cost: 300 to 2000 CHF)

Depending on the personal situation:

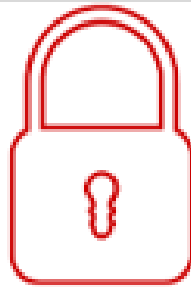
- ♥ Previous marriage certificate
- ♥ Divorce decree
- ♥ Spouse's death certificate

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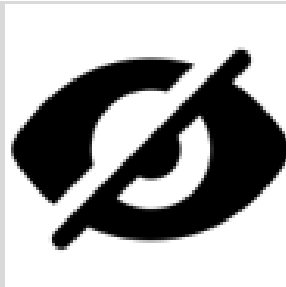


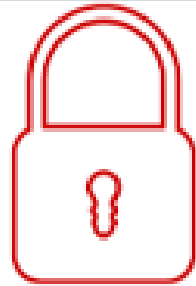
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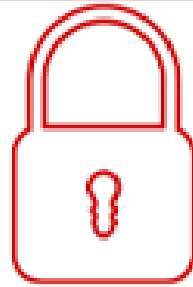
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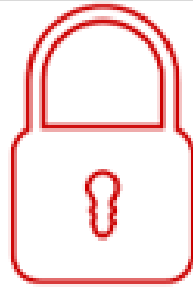
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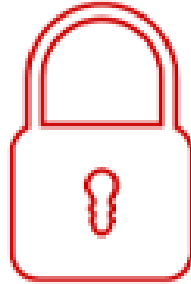
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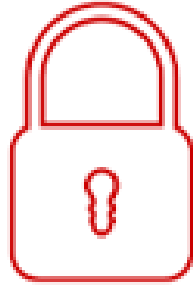
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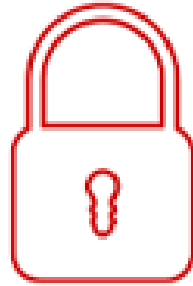
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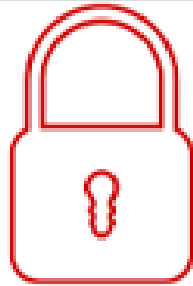
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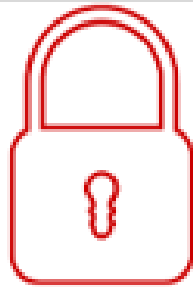
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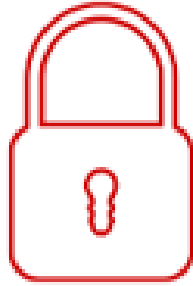
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