



Marriage to be performed in Switzerland

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This information applies to Armenian nationals and other nationals with residency in Armenia who wish to get married in Switzerland with a Swiss national or a third national living in Switzerland.

Documents to submit in person to your Swiss representation

Application for preparatory procedure for marriage

[Form 034A - Application for preparatory procedure for marriage.](#)

A common application for both fiancés

This form is available on our webpage. Please fill it in completely but do not date nor sign it

[Form 035 - Declaration concerning pre-conditions for entering into marriage](#)

One application for each fiancé

This form will be handed over to the applicant(s) on site to be duly completed and signed.

[Fact sheet on marriage in Switzerland: rights and obligations](#)

For Swiss citizen or foreign national resident in Switzerland:

- original certificate of current residence
- valid passport or identity card and, if applicable, residence permit

For Armenian citizen or foreign national resident in Armenia:

- Birth certificate
- Civil status record **before** this marriage - single, divorced, widow(er) - mentioning the dissolved marriages, and, in addition:
 - a) If divorced: Divorce certificate that specifies when it entered into force
 - b) If widowed: Death certificate of late spouse
- Certificate of current residence
- Copy of residence permit, if applicable
- Valid passport

Certain documents may no longer be required if the person is already registered in the Swiss civil status register.

For any common children who are not yet entered in the Swiss civil status register:

Please refer to the information sheet "Registration of a birth"

For any common children who are already entered in the Swiss civil status register:

- copy of their birth certificate
- copy of their valid passport or identity card

*Birth certificates in the form of a booklet or certificates concerning the registration of the birth or the corresponding act are not accepted. A duplicate can be requested at any time from the Ministry of Justice.

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.

Legalisation / Translation / Apostille

All foreign civil status documents must be affixed with an apostille, then translated into a Swiss national language by an authorised translator, notarised and affixed with an apostille before being submitted to the Swiss representation.

Please note that foreign civil status documents which have been issued electronically and are verifiable online do not require an apostille. They do however need to be translated into a Swiss national language by an authorised translator, notarised and affixed with an apostille before being submitted to the Swiss representation.

Please bring one additional copy of complete set of documents for the Embassy

Apostille

Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia
3/8 Vazgen Sargsyan Street
0010 Yerevan
<https://www.moj.am/en/page/apostille>
E-mail: info@moj.am

Civil status documents:

Civil Status Acts Registration Services at the
Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia
https://www.moj.am/en/services/civil_registry
Email: gkag@moj.am

Certificate of residence [Passport and Visa Department of RA](#)

Documents issued by another country

Any document which is not issued by an authority in Armenia needs to be legalized by the Swiss representation competent for the country of issuance. Additional fees might be charged.

[Select country \(Travel advice & representations\)](#)

Visa application to take up residence in Switzerland (Family reunion)

If you are planning to take up residence in Switzerland after the marriage, you need to apply for a Type D visa.

The following documents have to be presented with the marriage preparation

- Original valid passport (+ 2 copies)
- Valid residence card for foreign nationals with permanent residence in Armenia (+ 2 copies)
- [Visa application form](#) for long stay (type D) duly filled and signed (in triplicate)
- 4 recent passport pictures
- Original Criminal record (+1 copy)

This document can be ordered at the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia](#)

Appointment

To schedule an appointment, please send an email to tbilisi.consularaffairs@eda.admin.ch with a scanned copy of your passport and your contact details.

Only complete files are accepted. If the application is not complete, a new appointment will need to be scheduled

Processing time

After submission of the complete file, all documents are forwarded to the competent authorities in Switzerland. The processing time for the authorization of the visa can take up to 12 weeks.

Fees

Fees for the preparatory procedure: CHF 230.00

Fees for the visa application: CHF 80.00

The fees must be paid the day of the appointment (counter value in GEL) by means of bank card (no cash accepted). The Swiss representation reserves the right to adapt the counter-value in GEL at any time due to exchange rate fluctuations.

The Civil Registry office where the marriage will take place charges additional fees to be paid directly in Switzerland.

Further information

For Armenian citizen:

Register your marriage with the Armenian authorities in Switzerland. For further information, please contact the Embassy of Armenia in Geneva

For Swiss citizen with domicile in Armenia:

Send a scanned copy of the marriage certificate to tbilisi.consularaffairs@eda.admin.ch