



## Death in the United Kingdom and Ireland: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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### Documents to submit

- certified copy of an entry of death (original document)**
  - photocopies cannot be accepted
  - The certificate will not be returned to you.
- Swiss identity documents of the deceased (passport and identity card). The voided documents can be returned for commemorative purposes if the family requests this when submitting them.
- contact information for reaching a member of the surviving family

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.

### Fees

Entry of the death in the Swiss civil status register is free of charge.

### Further information

- Did you check all the applicable boxes above? Once you have done so, please submit the required documents to the Regional Consular Centre in London by:
  - posting the above-mentioned documents to:  
Regional Consular Centre, c/o Embassy of Switzerland, 16-18 Montagu Place,  
London W1H 2BQ

The Regional Consular Center will translate and legalise the documents and forward them to the place of origin in Switzerland so that the family details can be updated in the Swiss central system (Infostar); this usually takes between 4-6 months. Additional documents may be requested.

### Where to obtain de documents

#### Death certificate

*Certified copy of an entry of death / Extract of entry from a register of deaths*

- **England and Wales:** [www.gov.uk/general-register-office](http://www.gov.uk/general-register-office)
- **Scotland:** [www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/)
- **Northern Ireland:** <https://geni.nidirect.gov.uk/>
- **Ireland:** [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie)

For further information, please visit the following websites:

UK <https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/united-kingdom/en/home/services/civil-status/death.html>

Ireland <https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/ireland/en/home/services/civil-status/death.html>