

**Regional Consular Center Nordic and Baltic Countries** 

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

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# Documents to submit

- Certified copy of Certificate of divorce\*, issued by Familieretshuset (Skilsmissebevilling or Skilsmisseafgørelse with confirmation of entry into force). In contrast, in case of a judiciary divorce, a certified true copy of the court's decision (Dom) with confirmation of entry into force is required.
- □ **Form** "Questionnaire concerning divorce" (see <u>https://www.eda.admin.ch/denmark</u>, Services > Civil status > Divorce/Dissolution of registered partnership abroad).

## For the Swiss partner:

- Personattest\* with new civil status.
- □ Certificate of residence\* at time of divorce (Bopælsattest).
- □ **Certificate** reagrding **change of name and surnames**\* (Attestation af Navneændring or Personattest <u>and</u> Bopælsattes with Navn historie).
- □ A copy of the Swiss passport and/or foreign passport (pages with personal data and signature).

#### For the Danish partner:

- □ **Personattest\*** with new civil status.
- □ Certificate of residence\* at time of divorce (Bopælsattest).
- □ Certificate reagrding change of name and surnames\* (Attestation af Navneændring or Personattest and Bopælsattest with Navn historie).
- □ A copy of the Danish 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 Danish documents (marked with \*) must be stamped and signed in original by the issuing/competent authority.

In Denmark, usually electronically sent documents are not accepted. They must be stamped and signed by the Danish authorities.

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# Translation

Documents in Danish, English, German, French or Italian are accepted.

### Fees

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

## **Further information**

If civil status documents do not come from Denmark 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

Certified copy of Certificate of divorce (Skilsmissebevilling or separationsbevilling) → Familieretshuset resp. court at place of divorce

#### Personattest

→ Church Administration (Sogn) at place of residence

Certificate of change of name (Attestation af navneændring or Personattest)

→ Church Administration (Sogn) at place of residence or Borgerservice

Certificate of residence (Bopælsattest)

→ Borger Service (Folkeregister) at place of residence