



## After your marriage performed in Egypt (with dual citizen): entry in the Swiss civil status register

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### Documents to submit

- original marriage certificate
- copy of the valid passport of the spouse (male or female) not yet entered into the Register of the Swiss Abroad
- Copy of the valid passport or ID of the Swiss spouse
- address of spouses/partners

### For spouses/partners (male or female) who are not Swiss citizens:

- Original birth certificate establishing who the parents are (computerized version). The birth certificate can also be requested in English version from the Ministry of Health (translation is not necessary in this case).
- Original civil status record **before** the marriage was performed:
  - a) certificate establishing that they are unmarried (issued shortly before marriage)
    - Certificate of civil status (قيد فردي)
  - b) divorce decree that specifies when it entered into force
    - Marriage certificate of the previous marriage
    - In case of foreign groom; family identity card (قيد عائلي) (issued at least 3 months after the divorce decree)
    - In case of foreign bride; affidavit (إقرار من الشهر العقاري بالحالة الاجتماعية).
  - c) death certificate of deceased spouse/partner
    - Marriage certificate of the previous marriage
    - Family identity card (قيد عائلي),
    - Death certificate of the deceased spouse
- original certificate of residence valid when the marriage was performed in the form of a translated copy of the passport; (does not have to be certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, but translated into a Swiss national language by a [translator](#) recognized by this embassy)
- Valid passport

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

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.

## Translation

Documents that are not in a Swiss national language or in English [must be translated](#).

## Legalisation

All foreign civil status documents must be legalised by the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs before being submitted to the Swiss representation:

## Fees

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

## Further information

Please note that this process takes about 3 months.

## Visa information

### **Visa for residence in Switzerland (after marriage in Egypt)**

If the bride and groom choose Switzerland as their place of residence after marriage, the foreign partner must apply for a residence permit - visa for family reunification.

The information sheet and visa application form for family reunification and can be found at the following link:

<https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/egypt/en/home/visa/entry-ch/more-90-days.html>

### **Forwarding the application to the responsible migration authority in Switzerland**

Only after receiving the authorization from the migration authority, the embassy can issue a visa for entry into Switzerland for the purpose of residence.

Please note that this process takes about 3 months.