



Death in Belize: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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Documents to submit to your Swiss representation

- Death certificate with apostille 1 original + 1 photocopy or certified photocopy of death certificate with apostille 1 original + 1 photocopy.
- Original passport and identity card (to cancel them) which will be returned to family if required.
- Contact information of family member (name, direction, telephone number and mail-address).

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. The procedure is **free of charge** and can take **up to 6 months**. The application for a change of surname after registry for widow/widower can be made at this embassy. Changes of civil status must always be registered in chronological order. If there was a **previous civil event** that was not registered in the civil registry in Switzerland, this has to be processed beforehand.

Apostille

All Belizean certificates must carry an APOSTILLE.

The apostille must be ordered in the corresponding Belizean office.

Hours of operation:
Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
Telephone service:
Monday to Thursday from 9:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 15:00
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