



Preparation for Marriage in Switzerland

between **a Swiss partner resident in Switzerland**
and **a Maldivian partner resident in the Maldives**
+ Visa application for family reunion

Applicant must come to the Embassy of Switzerland in person by prior appointment only. To fix an appointment, please call or write:

- Tel: +94 11 269 12 20 from Monday to Thursday, 2pm - 4pm
- E-Mail: colombo.etatcivil@eda.admin.ch

Documents must not be older than six months.

All Maldivian documents and their respective English translations must be certified by the Foreign Ministry of Maldives or by the Maldivian High Commission in Colombo if resident in Sri Lanka.

Make sure that the spelling of your name in your passport is correct !

- o **Original Birth Certificate** of the Maldivian partner and respective English translation + 1 copy of both documents
- o **Unmarried Certificate** of the Maldivian partner from a Maldivian government authority and respective English translation + 1 copy of both documents
- o When the Maldivian partner is resident in the Maldives:
Original Proof of Residence from a Maldivian government authority and respective English translation + 1 copy of both documents.
- o When the Maldivian partner is resident in Sri Lanka:
Original Certificate on Residence and Character (obtained from the "Grama Niladhari" of the area of his permanent residence in Sri Lanka) certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka and respective English translation
+ 1 copy of both documents
- o Divorced Maldivian partner:
Original Divorce Certificate issued by the Court and respective English translation
+ 1 copy of both documents
- o Widowed Maldivian partner:
Original Death Certificate and respective English translation
+ 1 copy of both documents
- o **2 copies of the Passport** of both partners
- o **2 Copies of the "Wohnsitzbescheinigung / Certificat de domicile"** of the Swiss partner
- o **"Personenstandsausweis" / "Certificat individuel d'état civil"** of the Swiss partner
- o **Form "Additional questions"** filled by the Swiss partner

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- **3 National visa application forms** (type D) duly completed and signed
- <https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html>
- **4 passport size Photographs** of the visa applicant
- **Original Passport** of the visa applicant + 2 copies (only bio and amendment pages)
- **Original Police Report** of the visa applicant obtained from the Police Headquarters in Malé + 2 copies

Please note that all submitted documents will be sent to Switzerland.
In addition to the above-mentioned documents, the officer may request further documents.
The processing of the documents may take up to three months.
Information regarding the progress of an application can be requested by email only.
General information can be downloaded from the Embassy's website www.eda.admin.ch/colombo

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