



Preparing for a civil wedding

Persons concerned

The two persons who wish to marry each other:

- may be of different sexes or the same sex;
- may be of any nationality;
- must be at least 18 years old.

One of the two persons must be officially resident in the municipality of Steinfort.

A minor may marry, provided they have authorisation from the guardianship judge.

Deadlines

The supporting documents required for the marriage file must be submitted to the Biergerzenter at least one month before the date of the marriage.

In view of the formalities to be completed, the future spouses are requested to visit the Biergerzenter offices at least two to three months before the date of the marriage.

Practical details

The preliminary steps to be taken are as follows:

Supporting documents must be written in French, German or English.

The future spouses must present, if the document was drawn up in...

...a **Member State of the European Union (EU)**: a national document translated into one of these 3 languages by a sworn translator or a multilingual document (in accordance with the annex to CIEC Convention No. 34);

...non-EU Member State: a national document with a **certified signature** or **apostille** translated by a sworn translator into one of these three languages.

Documents to be provided

Proof of identity of the future spouses: copy of a valid passport or identity card;

For persons who do not have their legal residence in Luxembourg:

A **certificate of residence** or any document proving residence, if such a certificate is not available (e.g. a tenancy agreement or electricity bill);

A full copy of the birth certificate of the future spouses (full copy with the names of the father and mother) dated less than three months ago if it was issued in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and less than six months ago if it was issued abroad;

If the birth certificate cannot be issued, it may be replaced by an affidavit issued by the justice of the peace of the place of birth of the future spouse or their legal residence, certified by the District Court of the place where the marriage is to be celebrated.

Death certificate of the previous spouse, if applicable;

Marriage certificate with mention of divorce or transcript of the divorce decree, if applicable.

1. If the divorce decree was issued in a **Member State of the European Union (EU)**:
 - **before 1st March 2001**, it must be made enforceable in Luxembourg by a judgment of the Luxembourg court;
 - **after 1st March 2001**, a certificate as provided for in Article 39 of Regulation (EC) No 2201/2003 must be attached to the marriage file;
2. A **non-EU Member State**, it must be made **enforceable** in Luxembourg by a judgment of the Luxembourg court.

If the future spouses or one of them has entered into a **partnership** in Luxembourg:
Partnership certificate issued by the municipality where the partnership was entered into.

Children

Birth certificates of children to be legitimised.

If there are children born before the marriage, they must be recognised before the marriage ceremony. Children cannot be recognised as legitimate unless they are recognised before the marriage.

Additional documents for foreign nationals

For **German** nationals:

Certificate of no impediment to marriage (Ehefähigkeitszeugnis). The certificate is issued, upon request by the registrar, by the municipality of the last place of residence in Germany. If the German national has never lived in Germany, the Standesamt-Berlin is responsible. (Standesamt-I Berlin, Rückerstrasse 9, D-11019 Berlin);

For **American** nationals:

Affidavit issued by the embassy in Luxembourg. (22, bvd E. Servais, tel.: 46 01 23);

For **Austrian** nationals:

Certificate of no impediment to marriage («Ehefähigkeitszeugnis») issued by the embassy in Luxembourg (3, rue des Bains, tel.: 47 11 88 – 1);

For **Belgian** nationals:

Luxembourg (4, rue des Girondins, 1626 Hollerich Luxembourg, tel.: 44 27 46 1);

For **British and Irish** nationals:

Certificate of no Impediment, to be issued by the respective embassies. British Embassy (5, bvd Joseph II, Luxembourg tel.: 22 98 64-1 OR Irish Embassy: 28, rte d'Arlon, Luxembourg, tel.: 4 506 10-1);

For **Cape Verdean** nationals:

Certificate of capacity to marry, issued by the embassy in Luxembourg. (46, rue Goethe, tel.: 26 48 09 48);

For **Spanish** nationals:

Certificate of no impediment to marriage, issued by the embassy in Luxembourg. (4, bvd E. Servais, tel.: 46 02 55 – 310);

For **French** nationals:

Certificate of capacity to marry, issued by the Consulate in Luxembourg. (8-B, Boulevard Joseph II, tel.: 45 72 71 – 1);

For Italian nationals:

Certificate of capacity to marry, issued by the Consulate in Luxembourg.
(25, rte d'Esch, tel.: 44 36 44 – 1);

For Dutch nationals:

Certificate of no impediment to marriage, issued by the municipality of your last place of residence in the Netherlands or by the embassy in Luxembourg. (6, rue Ste Zithe, tel.: 22 75 50 – 1);

For Swiss nationals:

Certificate of no impediment to marriage («Ehefähigkeitszeugnis»), issued by the embassy in Luxembourg. (25-A, bvd Royal, tel.: 22 74 74 – 1);

For **all nationalities not listed** above, certificates of custom must be requested from their respective embassies, either in Luxembourg or in one of the neighbouring countries (Belgium, France, Germany).

Special provisions concerning Portuguese nationals

Portuguese

Interested parties must go together to the Consulate General of Portugal in Luxembourg, bringing the following documents:

- Recent birth certificate (issued within the last six months);
- National identity card;
- Passport ;
- Foreign identity card or residence certificate.

The Consulate services will publish the marriage at the consular chancellery and, once the file has been completed, the certificate of no impediment to marriage will be sent, together with the supporting documents, to the relevant municipal authority.

Marriage ceremony

Prior publication

In Luxembourg, all marriages are preceded by a **publication** which, upon receipt of the required documents, is displayed for **10 days** (not including the first day):

- in the municipality of the future spouses' place of residence;
- at the registry office of the municipality where the marriage will be celebrated.

For persons who have moved within the last 6 months, the publication of the marriage must also be made in the municipality of their previous residence.

Date and time of the ceremony

The marriage must be celebrated **within 12 months of the expiry of the publication period**. Otherwise, a new publication will be necessary.

The **date and time** of the wedding ceremony are set when all the documents required for the publication of the marriage are submitted.

Wedding ceremonies take place on **Wednesday and Friday afternoons**. In exceptional cases and depending on availability, weddings may be celebrated on another day of the week.

A written request stating the reasons must be submitted in advance to the Biergerzenter.

The civil marriage is pronounced by **the mayor**, as registrar, or a delegate to his or her duties: a deputy mayor or municipal councillor.

Location

The marriage can only be celebrated in the municipality where one of the future spouses resides. It is celebrated inside the Villa Collart or the town hall.

Contact

Steinfort municipal administration

Biergerzenter

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Website: www.steinfort.lu

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday from 9 am to 11.30 am and from 2 pm to 4 pm.

Office closed on Wednesday afternoons.



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