



Necessary documents to register changes in civil status that took place in LATVIA

Important information:

All documents are required in **original** (photocopies are not accepted) and **must not be older than six months**. The documents have to be sent or handed over to the Regional Consular Centre in Stockholm.

Apart from passports' copies, all documents must be legalized with an **apostille** and accompanied by a **notarized translation** (in German, French or Italian). In Latvia, the notaries (Council of Sworn Notaries of Latvia, www.latvijasnotars.lv) issue apostilles.

All submitted documents and certificate will be verified and sent to the competent authorities in Switzerland for registration in the Swiss Civil Registry. A delay of at least two months is to be expected until the civil status event (birth, marriage, etc.) is registered.

Birth of a child

See information sheet "Birth in Latvia" published on www.eda.admin.ch/latvia (Services - Civil status affairs - Birth), available in English, German and French.

Marriage

See information sheet "Marriage in Latvia" published on www.eda.admin.ch/latvia (Services - Civil status affairs - Marriage and registered partnership), available in English, German and French.

Divorce

- Divorce certificate with legal effect note issued by the notary respectively by the court (*Laulības šķiršanas apliecība* respectively *Izraksts no tiesas sprieduma*).
- Form «Questionnaire concerning divorce» (see www.eda.admin.ch/latvia, Services - Civil status affairs - Divorce).
- Copies of both ex-partners' passports (pages with personal data and signature).

Death

- Death certificate (*Miršanas apliecība*), mentioning date and place of death.
- Valid Swiss passport and/ or Swiss identity card of the deceased for cancellation. The identity document(s) will be returned to the family afterwards.

Change of name

- Certificates regarding changes of first and surnames (*Lēmums par personas vārda un/vai uzvārda maiņu*). These certificates must contain the note regarding legal effect and are issued by the Ministry of Justice.
 - Passport's copy.
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Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Regional Consular Centre in Stockholm by e-mail or telephone.

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