



Factsheet – Divorce or Dissolution of Civil Union in New Zealand

Please note: an Apostille is required on all civil status certificates and court documents from the following countries of our consular district: the Cook Islands, Fiji, Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Niue.

To register your divorce or dissolution of your same sex Civil Union with this Embassy and the authorities in Switzerland, you will need to submit the following documents:

- The original Order dissolving marriage or the original Order dissolving civil union or a certified copy of the same, issued within the last 6 months by the Court which granted the order, with mention of date order made and date order sealed;
- Form “[Divorce or Dissolution of Civil Union](#)” signed by both parties within the last 6 months (with place and date);
- If applicable, the original Custody Order for your children or a certified copy of the same, issued within the last 6 months by the Court which granted the custody, with mention of date order made and date order sealed

Please note that the above-mentioned documents will be sent to Switzerland for registration and cannot be returned to you.

Civil status certificates issued in a different country will be sent for legalisation and translation to the competent Swiss Embassy or Consulate. In some cases, this process is subject to a fee and can take several weeks. In some cases additional documents may be required.

Where to send the documents?

Embassy of Switzerland
10 Customhouse Quay
P.O. Box 25004
Wellington 6146
New Zealand

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