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Embassy of Switzerland in Tanzania

Marriage to be performed in Switzerland

25.06.2026

Documents to submit in person to your Swiss representation

☐ Preparation of marriage forms and declarations, will be filled out at the Embassy on the day of the appointment to submit all the documents for the preparation of marriage.

For Swiss citizens:

☐ Copy of certificate of current residence.
☐ Copy of valid passport or identity card.

For citizens of other countries:

☐ Original Birth Certificate issued by Registration Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency (RITA) in Dar es Salaam
If the birth occurred in Zanzibar, the Birth Certificate ("Certified Copy of an entry in a Register of Births") needs to be issued by Zanzibar Civil Status Registration Agency (ZCSRA)
☐ Original certificate of civil status ("Certificate of No Impediment") issued by RITA in Dar es Salaam or ZCSRA in Zanzibar
☐ Original Affidavit of the foreign spouse, confirming the civil status before the marriage, issued by a Commissioner for Oaths
☐ If the foreign spouse has been married before, the documents concerning the dissolution of the former marriage (copy of Divorce certificate issued by RITA in Dar es Salaam or if the divorce occurred in Zanzibar copy of the Divorce Return issued by ZCSRA in Zanzibar, together with copy of the Judgement, and copy of the Decree)
☐ If the foreign spouse is widowed, copy of Marriage Certificate and original Death Certificate of the former spouse, issued by RITA Dar es Salaam. If the death occurred in Zanzibar, the certificate needs to be issued by ZCSRA in Zanzibar
☐ Original Affidavit of residence confirmation at the time of marriage issued by the competent District Resident Magistrate
☐ Original Police Clearance Certificate
☐ Passport copy

Certain documents may no longer be required if the person is already registered in the Swiss civil status register.

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.

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Legalisation

All original Tanzanian civil status documents must be legalised before being submitted to the Swiss representation:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Dar es Salaam (4th Floor, Room 15, Shaaban Robert Street).

Fees

Please contact the Embassy.

Further information

See Visa section of the web-site for more information on National long-term visa for family reunion.
Please contact the Embassy of Switzerland via e-mail to obtain an appointment for procedure of preparation or marriage.

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