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DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR COMMITTING A CIVIL MARRIAGE FOR FOREIGNERS RESIDING ABROAD:

If foreigners, residing abroad wish to commit a marriage in Greece, they should have:

1. Marriage license (prototype) from their country's competent authority translated and certified, in which should be indicated the period of validity, by release date.

(The marriage license gives us data about the person that is interested in getting married and with whom is going to get married to, in Greece (Municipality of Chania). In case the foreigner does not mention in the document the person with whom is going to get married, this document will not be a valid marriage license and cannot be accepted from the department.

- 2. Recent Birth certificate (prototype) officially translated and certified.
- **3. Recent family status certificate** (for the countries that issue it, officially certified and translated)
- 4. Recent passport photocopy

Furthermore for the commission of the civil marriage, you should inform us with the following data:

- 1. Residence address before marriage:
- 2. Residence address after marriage:
- 3. Religion:
- 4. Profession:
- 5. Citizenship:
- 6. Education:
- 7. Contact phone:
- 8. Children surname identification statement (article 1505 C.C.)
- 9. Marriage application form (given by the municipality)
- 10. Solemn statement of L. 1599/86 (given by the municipality)

The above documents must be submitted in <u>person or via email</u> (politikoi-gamoi@chania.gr) on <u>time</u> in order to be checked, fulfilled and signed so as the date and time of committing the civil marriage to be arranged with you.

Validation and Translation of Foreign Documents

The foreign (prototypes) documents, have to be stamped with Hague APOSTILLE stamp for member countries in the treaty of Hague.

For the rest of the countries, instead of this stamp, those who are interested in getting married must get a solemn statement with the authenticity of the signature, from the Greek consulate of the country the certificate was issued, or from the consulate of that country in Greece and then from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (public relations department).

Official translation of foreign (prototypes) documents in Greek and Latin with intonation in names and surnames, countersigned either from the Greek consulate of the country the certificate was issued, or from the translation service in the Ministry of Foreign affairs, or also from a graduated translator of Foreign Languages Translation and Interpretation Department of the Ionian University, or finally from a Greek lawyer (of the Lawyers Assosiation), provided that the requirements of the article 53 of 3026/1954(235 A') of the Lawyers' Code, are fulfilled.

Validations of foreign certificates, documents e.t.c. must be in prototypes and not in photocopies.

Useful information

For your best service, please send us a contact phone number.

Consulates in Crete