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MARRIAGE BY SPECIAL LICENSE

Requirements and
Application Process

REQUIREMENTS KENYAN NATIONAL

- National ID
- Birth Certificate*
- Colored Passport Photo
- Proof You Are Unmarried— e.g.
 - Sworn Affidavit;
 - Divorce Decree Absolute (if previously married and divorced);
 - Death Certificate (If widow or widower); and
 - A sworn affidavit to confirm marital status if the Divorce Decree or Death Certificate is more than 2 years' old.

REQUIREMENTS FOREIGN NATIONAL — PAGE 1

- Valid Passport
- Birth Certificate*
- Colored Passport Photo
- Proof You Are Unmarried— e.g.
 - Certificate of No Impediment from Your Home Country
 - Divorce Decree Absolute (if previously married and divorced);
 - Death Certificate (if Widow or Widower); and
 - A certificate of No Impediment if the Divorce Decree or Death Certificate is more than 2 years' old.

REQUIREMENTS FOREIGN NATIONAL — PAGE 2

- Proof of Presence in Kenya for at least seven (7) days from date of Application
- Valid Visa and Air Ticket for the Return Trip on Visa expiry or Work Permit, as applicable
- Official English Translations of any documents that are in a different language

Note:

To proceed with the process, the foreign national must have a guest eCitizen account.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- 2 witnesses, who must provide copy of original National ID (Kenyan)/Valid Passport and Visa(Foreigner) during registration and present original during the ceremony/document verification
- Licensed/Authorised Person to Conduct the Ceremony.
 - Registrar/Assistant Registrar – Must be booked well in advance
 - Minister of Faith (copy of valid license) and provide the Serial Number of the Marriage Book to be Used

APPLICATION FEES

- Application Fees Christian Marriages:
 - Ceremony at the Licensed place of Worship
Fees KES 7,200
 - Ceremony at Unlicensed place
Fees KES 14,200
- Application Fees Civil Marriage:
 - Ceremony at the Registrar's Office
Fees KES 9,700
 - Ceremony Outside the Registrar's Office
Fees KES 16,700

REGISTRIES IN KENYA

- Nairobi
- Mombasa
- Kisumu
- Eldoret
- Embu
- Nakuru
- Kisii
- Machakos



MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

The Marriage Certificate is issued during the ceremony.

REGISTRAR JURISDICTION

Make sure your application is lodged in the registry where you want the wedding to be performed.

If using an Assistant Registrar outside the Registry this is booked separate and attracts fees and additional costs for travel and accommodation.

OUTCOMES

A Civil marriage by Special License must be conducted **within Fourteen (14) days from the date of approval;**

Special License for Christian and Hindu marriages are issued **within three (3) days from the date of approval.** Parties must conduct the ceremony within the time allowed by their License.

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