

Civil Wedding in Mauritius

VALIDITY - 01 NOVEMBER 2017 TO 31 OCTOBER 2018

(NET RATES IN AMERICAN DOLLARS (USD) INCLUSIVE OF 15% VAT)

Far away from the daily routines and grey skies, Mauritours will realise the dream wedding of your clients in our tropical paradise!

However, some formalities are necessary to make a marriage legally valid.

There are certain formalities which have to be fulfilled before a couple exchanges vows in Mauritius. We will accompany your clients to fulfill all legal and administrative formalities. It takes a little more organisation and paperwork to be able to finalise all the necessary formalities. All documents, either in English or French, should reach us at least 2 months before the couple arrives.

The law states that the couple must be in Mauritius for at least 3 working days before the wedding in order to complete the necessary formalities.

Two working days before the wedding, the couple must produce all original documents to the Central Civil Status Office in Port-Louis before going to the Supreme Court to swear an affidavit. They must then proceed to the regional Civil Status Office of the locality for the publication of the bans.

The civil wedding may take place on the following day. The civil wedding can be celebrated either at the Civil Status Office of the locality where the couple is staying, at the hotel itself or any informally exclusive venue such as on a catamaran at sunset or private island/villa or submarine.

REQUIREMENTS FOR A CIVIL MARRIAGE

A photocopy of the following documents either in English or French (the translated copies must be certified by the relevant authorities) should be sent to us:

- Birth certificates of the couple (these must be officially reissued and date stamped within 3 months of the wedding date).
- First three pages of the couple's passport
- Civil Status Office application form
- If divorced, Decree Absolute (Decree of Divorce)
- If widowed, Death Certificate of former spouse and previous marriage certificate
- Any related documents in case of a change of name
- Adoption papers in case of adoption
- Marriage contract in case the couple has made one

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. The couple should bring along all original documents for the legal formalities.
2. A widow or divorcee is not legally authorised to remarry less than 300 days following her husband's death or after her divorce has been declared unless she undergoes a medical examination which will ascertain that she is not pregnant. The medical test is at the couple own expense.

i) The bride can have the test done in her respective country. In this case, the Medical report should

have an Apostille Stamp and should be sent to together with all the wedding documents.

ii) Alternatively, the medical test can be done in Mauritius prior to the legal formalities. If the test is done in Mauritius, no Apostil Stamp is required.

In both cases, should the test be proved positive, the couple will not be able to exchange vows under any circumstances.

3. All expenses incurred for the translation of the above mentioned documents is at the couple own expense.
4. In case one of the spouses or both of them are neither fluent in English or French, Mauritours will provide the service of a translator (*compulsory*) at an extra cost on both the affidavit day and wedding day. A two-week notification prior to the arrival day is required.
5. The formalities for French, Italian and Swiss Citizens are slightly different. For information, please contact our Wedding Coordinator.
6. Floral arrangements, photographer, video and other wedding services can be arranged either through Mauritours or the hotel.

A close-up photograph showing a person's hands holding a silver and black fountain pen over a document. The document has some text and a grid-like structure, possibly a form or a contract. The person's fingers are visible, and they are wearing a ring on their left hand. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a bouquet of flowers.

Our civil wedding package includes:

- Attorney's fees to draw up affidavits
- Supreme Court's fees for the swearing of affidavits
- Cost of the publication of the bans
- Apostille of the Wedding Certificate
- Mauritours driver-guide to accompany the couple for the legal formalities.
- Assistance of a Mauritours representative while fulfilling all formalities
- Civil Status Officer's fees to officiate the wedding
- Handling fees to cover any administrative charges
- Surprise gift
- Delivery of the Wedding Certificate by express courier.

NET RATE: USD 606

SUPPLEMENTS:

1. **Italian Citizens:** USD 127 (compulsory)

It includes the transcription fee of the Wedding Certificate and the transfer of the Italian Consulate officer to meet the couple at their hotel after the wedding.

2. **VIP Car on the legal formalities day:** USD 272 per vehicle (half-day use only)
3. **Translator:** USD 263

N.B:

Mauritours cannot be held responsible in case the Mauritian Authorities do not deliver the necessary authorisation for the wedding to take place.