

# *Marry In Thailand*



*Legal Guide*  
to Marriage in Thailand

## MARRIAGE REGISTRATION IN THAILAND

### Why Marry in Thailand?

Thailand doesn't only capture the eyes but also the heart.

The growing popularity of Thailand as one of the top wedding destinations in the world doesn't come as a surprise to the charmed former visitor who would have probably thought that Thailand's exotic culture, friendly and hospitable people, delicious food, pristine beaches, verdant mountains, peaceful hamlets and not to forget the exciting & colorful lifestyle in its urban areas make it a perfect venue for one's wedding day. But to the person who has never been to Thailand, there must be a lot of questions in his/her head as to why a far flung country in South East Asia is drawing couples around the world to go there and tie the knot.

So why exactly is Thailand a growing location favorite for couples who want to marry? The reasons are plain and simple. Thailand's romantic and exotic appeal made possible by the varieties of beautiful places around the country, the unique & flourishing Thai culture and most importantly the hospitable and kind people whose unwavering infectious sweet smiles simply make you feel welcome and safe in their country is more than enough to convince you that Thailand is the place to be.

Foreigners who wish to marry in Thailand are offered endless and more-than-the-usual possibilities which traditional wedding destinations offer. In other words, Thailand affords you a choice to make your wedding celebration truly a memorable one. You basically start choosing from the type of wedding ceremony which you like to have or to follow. Are you in to colorful traditional Thai wedding, sacred Christian Wedding or merry Muslim Wedding? As for the wedding venue, you have the choice over having it done on the beach, underwater, on the mountains, on a small village or on a modern venues just like what you have back home. Indeed, whatever type of wedding you have in mind, Thailand has always enough room to accommodate those fantasies.

The legal aspect of getting married in Thailand is another important consideration for foreigners who are planning to wed in Thailand. Will the marriage be recognized back home? This is definitely an important question. Surely, the marriage will be acknowledged in your respective countries provided that it was properly registered in Thailand.

Registering marriage in Thailand is a little bit complicated but the good news is that Thailand has a lot of law firms who can arrange everything to register your marriage correctly and conveniently. So you don't need to spend your time doing this thing anymore. Just enlist the marriage services of a law firm for a few bucks, provide them the necessary documents and everything should be taken care of by them. And you can kick off with your honeymoon immediately without any worries.



## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MARRIAGE IN THAILAND

### Foreigners:

1. Affirmation of Freedom to Marry (from the Embassy)
2. Passport
3. Divorce Certificate

### Thai

1. Thai ID card
2. Household Registration Certificate
3. Divorce or Death Certificate of Spouse

### PROCEDURE

(Based on our marriage service)

1. We bring you to your embassy in Bangkok to procure the affirmation of Freedom to Marry. Each embassy has a set of requirements and service fee in issuing this document. Please have a look at the succeeding pages for the list of embassies and their requirements.
2. We will translate your affirmation into Thai.
3. We will bring your translated affirmation to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for legalization.
4. We will accompany you to the local district office to register your marriage.
5. We translate your marriage certificate into English. And hand the marriage certificate and its translations to you personally if you are still in Thailand. Otherwise we send them to you via courier.



## EMBASSY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AFFIRMATION OF FREEDOM TO MARRY

### Australia

Passport  
Copy Divorce Certificate

1 day processing  
Consular Fee: AUS \$30

### Belgium\*

contact the embassy first at Bangkok@diplobel.fed.be

### Canada

1. Passport  
2. Birth Certificate

9AM-12AM, same day processing  
CAD\$50

### China

Get Single Status Certificate from China  
Have it legalized at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Certified at the Thai Consulate in China  
Notarization at the Chinese Embassy in Bangkok

### Germany

Certificate of Single Status from Germany (issued within 6 months)  
Partner's documents (ID, Birth Certificate, House Registration, Passport)  
<http://www.bangkok.diplo.de/Vertretung/bangkok/de/Startseite.html>  
<http://www.berlin.de/standesamt1/partnerschaft/>

50 Euros

### Italy\*

Banns Certificate from Italy  
\*It is best to contact the Consul of the Embassy since they do not give that much information to non-Italian Citizens. [ambasciata.bangkok@esteri.it](mailto:ambasciata.bangkok@esteri.it)

### Indonesia

Get Single Status Certificate  
Have it legalized at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Indonesian ID Card

Processing: 9-11 AM  
Releasing: Next Day, 2PM  
Consular Fee: \$20 (paid in US Dollars only)

## EMBASSY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AFFIRMATION OF FREEDOM TO MARRY

### Ireland\*

Accomplished Affirmation\*

Passport

Birth Certificate

The Irish Consulate requires its citizens to notify the consulate thru email a month before their preferred appointment date. They can download a blank form of the Affidavit at the consulate's website. Check <http://www.irelandinthailand.com/affidavit.html>

Same-day Process  
Consular Fee: THB 940

### Netherlands

Passport

Birth certificate

Financial Statement

Single Status Certificate from NL

One day process (9-12)  
Consular Fee: THB 1440

### Malaysia

Single Status Signatory from Malaysia

Have it certified at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (consular division)

2-day process  
THB 200

### New Zealand

Filled-out Statutory Declaration\*

Passport

Divorce Certificate

Same-day process  
Consular Fee: THB 900 (not in cheque or credit card)

### Philippines\*

• "Affidavit of Consent" - if one of them is between 18 – 21 yrs old

• "Written proof of Parental Advice" if one of them is between 21 – 25 yrs old

Certificate of "No Record of Previous Marriage," issued by the NSO and authenticated by DFA

Certificate of Live Birth authenticated by NSO and DFA;

Passport

\*After submission of the required documents, a ten (10) day publication of "The Intent to Marry" by both parties shall be posted at the Embassy.

Consular Fee: THB 1,125

[http://www.philembassy-bangkok.net/About\\_us/con\\_marriage\\_dw.html](http://www.philembassy-bangkok.net/About_us/con_marriage_dw.html)

## EMBASSY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AFFIRMATION OF FREEDOM TO MARRY

### Russia

Passport (2 copies)  
Civil Status Certificate from Russia  
Copy Divorce Certificate

Same-day processing  
Free

### Singapore

Certification from Registry of Marriage  
Certification from Work Permit Department  
Certificate of No Criminal Records  
Letter from employer (state salary and occupation)  
Passport and ID card for both parties

Same-day processing  
THB 100

### Spain\*

Contact [emb.bangkok@maec.es](mailto:emb.bangkok@maec.es)

### Sweden

Obtaining the Affidavit may take weeks, since the citizen needs to sign a letter first and send it to the Swedish Taxation Office (in Sweden) to obtain a certificate stating the citizen's civil status (this may take a week). This certificate has to be certified at their Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The citizen also needs to get 2 reference letters which will support his / her single status. To get more detailed information, please refer to the Swedish Embassy website at [http://www.swedenabroad.com/Start\\_\\_\\_4803.aspx](http://www.swedenabroad.com/Start___4803.aspx).

### Switzerland

For Swiss – Foreigner, the foreigner needs to bring:  
Birth Certificate  
Civil Status Certificate / Divorce Certificate  
Confirmation of Residence (from the embassy in Bangkok)

\*Information available on file in French (for Swiss-Swiss)

Same-day process  
Consular Fee : THB 5900

## EMBASSY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AFFIRMATION OF FREEDOM TO MARRY

### UK

Passport  
Accomplished Affirmation\*  
Copy Divorce Certificate

Next-day processing  
Consular Fee: THB 3,200

### USA

Passport  
Copy of Divorce Certificate

Same-day processing / Consular Fee: \$30  
For Chiang Mai Consulate: Tues & Thu 8:30 – 11:30

### Spain\*

Contact [emb.bangkok@maec.es](mailto:emb.bangkok@maec.es)

### Vietnam

Certificate letter of the Single Status. (Apply from Vietnam)  
Original of the Divorce Certificate. (if he/she married before)  
Original of Vietnamese Passport.  
ID card of Vietnamese Citizen.  
The Household Registration.  
Original of Birth Certificate.  
Original of Fiance' Passport.  
Original of the Divorce Certificate of Fiance'.  
(if he/she married before)

## MARRIAGE REGISTRATION PACKAGES

### EXPRESS MARRIAGE REGISTRATION (3-4 DAYS)

**\$815\***

**£395\***

Our express marriage registration service (4 working days) includes preparation of Affirmation of Freedom to Marry, translation of the Affirmation of Freedom to Marry into Thai, legalization of the translation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, preparation of documents using to register your marriage at the District Office, accompanying you to register your marriage at district office in Bangkok, translation of Marriage at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and giving or mailing the legalized translation to you.

### NORMAL MARRIAGE REGISTRATION (5-7 DAYS)

**\$675\***

**£325\***

Our normal marriage registration service (7-8 working days) includes preparation of Affirmation of Freedom to Marry, translation of the Affirmation of Freedom to Marry into Thai, legalization of the translation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, preparation of documents using to register your marriage at the District Office, accompanying you to register your marriage at district office in Bangkok, translation of Marriage Certificate and Marriage Addendum into English, legalization of the translation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and giving or mailing the legalized translation to you

### PREPARATION OF MARRIAGE PAPERS (3 DAYS)

**\$445\***

**£199\***

Our preparation of marriage registration documents service includes preparation of Affirmation of Freedom to Marry, translation of the Affirmation of Freedom to Marry into Thai, legalization of the translation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, preparation of documents using to register your marriage at the District Office or in a hotel where the District officer provides special service, and giving or mailing all these documents to you.

\* Exclude government fee and embassy fee

### RELATED SERVICES

We can also assist you with the following services in relation to your marriage in Thailand.

- PRENUPTIAL AGREEMENT
- MARRIAGE/SPOUSE VISA (Thailand and Overseas)





## MARRIAGE REGISTRATION OFFICES

You may register your marriage in other parts of Thailand and we shall be still there to assist. Please see the below offices across the Kingdom where you can register your marriage.

### **Bangkok**

#### *Khet Pathumwan Registration Office*

216/1 Chula 7, Kwang-Mai,  
Bangkok 10330

▶ Tel: 02 214 3004

#### *Khet Prakanong Registration Office*

1792 Sukhunvit Soi 54, Kwang,  
Bangjak, Bangkok 10250

▶ Tel: 02 311 1107

#### *Khet Bangrak Registration Office*

5 Nares Road, Kwang Siphraya,  
Bangkok 10500

▶ Tel: 02 236 1395

### **Chiang Mai**

#### *Amphur Mung Chiang Mai Registration Office*

36 Intavarorot Road,  
Tambon Sri-Poom,  
Amphur Muang, Chiang Mai 50000

▶ Tel : (053)221 016

### **Hua Hin**

#### *Hua Hin District Office*

Dumnoenkasem Road,  
Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan 77110

▶ Tel : (032) 511 025, 512 267

### **Krabi**

#### *Krabi Registration Office*

Uttarakij Road, Tambon Paknam,  
Amphur Muang, Krabi 8100

▶ Tel : (075) 611 340

### **Pattaya**

#### *Amphur Banglamung Registration Office*

Moo 2, Sukhumvit Rd., Tambon Na  
Klua, Amphur Banglamung,  
Chonburi 20150

▶ Tel : (038) 443 020

### **(Koh) Phangan**

#### *Amphur Koh Phangan*

Moo 2 Tongsala Chaloklum Road,  
Tambon Koh Phangan, Suratthani 84280

▶ Tel : (077) 377 021, 377 064

### **Phuket**

#### *Amphur Mung Phuket Registration Office*

Mae-Larn Road, Tambon Talardyai,  
Amphur Muang, Phuket 83000

▶ Tel: (076)211 171

### **(Koh) Samui**

#### *Amphur Koh Samui Registration Office*

Taweeraj Pakdee Road, Tambon  
Angtong, Amphur Koh Samui, Surat  
Thani 84140

▶ Tel: (077) 42 372/420 373



For more information please visit our marriage websites

[www.marrythailand.com](http://www.marrythailand.com)

[http://www.siam-legal.com/Thailand\\_Service/thailand-marriage.php](http://www.siam-legal.com/Thailand_Service/thailand-marriage.php)

or send email to [info@siam-legal.com](mailto:info@siam-legal.com)

Call (66) 2253-8100