

Marriage: Registration for marriage

The official path to marriage

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Basic information

The official part of the path to marriage consists of three steps.

For more information: see under Procedure.

Requirements

Registration for marriage takes place at the registry office of the place of residence. If the spouses have different places of residence, the registration of the marriage is optionally possible in one of the registry offices.

The city of Bremen has two registry office districts. For this reason, those marrying in Bremen-Mitte must register at the Bremen-Mitte registry office, while those marrying in Bremen-Nord must register at the Bremen-Nord registry office. The marriage can take place in any registry office in the federal territory.

Procedure

Step 1: Pre-registration

Use the online pre-registration option. You will find the link for the relevant registry office under "Further information" - "Online service").

This shortens the processing time. The registry office receives the data you provide via the online pre-registration and can then provide you with information about the required documents.

This information will be sent to you by e-mail and should reach you within a week at the latest.

Please be patient and refrain from sending status requests.

If you have not received a reply after one week, please contact ehe@inneres.bremen.de.

You can then register for the marriage by making an appointment.

If you do not wish to or cannot use the online pre-registration, the relevant information will be provided during opening hours at the registry offices (see under "Responsible offices"). For this preliminary meeting, it is initially sufficient if it is attended by one of the future spouses.

In the case of foreign nationality, the respective national law/foreign law must be observed. The same applies if you were born abroad and in the case of previous marriages and/or their annulment abroad.

Step 2: Registration of the marriage

Marriage registration is only possible by prior appointment with the registry office. When registering the marriage, the documents to be submitted will be checked. You will receive information, for example, about the name and the procedure for the day of the marriage. As soon as it is determined that the requirements for marriage have been met, the marriage registration is valid for 6 months.

In principle, both partners should attend the marriage registration appointment. If one of the partners is unable to attend, they can issue a power of attorney (declaration of accession). You can find the form in the forms under "Declaration of accession".

Step 3: Marriage ceremony

Two wedding rooms are available for marriages in the historic building of the Bremen-Mitte registry office. In the Bremen-Nord registry office, weddings take place in the wedding room in the town hall on the top floor above the rooftops of Bremen-Nord in Gerhard-Rohlfs-Straße.

For marriages in both registry office districts, you can also choose an outdoor location:

For the registry office Bremen-Mitte

- Arberger Mühle
(<https://www.luer-kropp-hof.de/arberger-muehle.html>)
- botanika- The Green Science Center
(<http://www.botanika-bremen.de/de/heiraten.html>)
- Fallturm- ZARM- Betriebsgesellschaft- mbH
(<https://www.zarm.uni-bremen.de/de/besuch/heiraten-auf-dem-fallturm.html>)
- Lür-Kropp-Hof and Hochtiedshuus
(<http://www.luer-kropp-hof.de/hochtiedshuus.html>)
- Bremen Town Hall
(http://www.rathaus.bremen.de/buergerservice/heiraten_im_rathaus-1583)

- Weserstadion
(<https://wohninvest-weserstadion.de/besucher-service/hochzeiten/>)

For the registry office Bremen- Nord

- Blomendal Castle
(<http://www.burgblomendal.de/index.php>)
- Schönebeck Castle
(http://www.museum-schloss-schoenebeck.de/?Heiraten_im_Schloss)
- Kahnschifferhaus
(<https://www.heimatverein-farge-rekum.de/index.php?id=283>)

For the district of Bremen-Mitte, please arrange the date for the marriage directly with the external location (contact details: see above); for the district of Bremen-Nord with the registry office Bremen-Nord. Please note that an appointment must be made in advance with the respective registry office for the registration of the marriage.

Witnesses are no longer mandatory under German law, but can still be involved.

More information

Payment of fees is possible in cash and by EC card (with PIN).

How long does it take to process

No specification possible.

What are the costs?

52,00 EUR Examination of the requirements for marriage, if only German law is to be observed.

88,00 EUR Examination of the conditions for marriage, although foreign law must also be observed.

132,00 EUR Examination of the requirements for marriage, although foreign law must also be observed and an application must be made for exemption from the requirement to produce a certificate of no impediment to marriage

176,00 EUR Examination of the requirements for marriage, although foreign law must also be observed, an application must be made for exemption from the requirement to produce a certificate of no impediment to marriage and documents must be checked by the German mission abroad.

27,00 EUR Re-examination of the marriage requirements if only German law is to be observed.

66,00 EUR Re-examination of the conditions for marriage, even if foreign law must be observed.

33,00 EUR Carrying out the marriage if the registration was made at another registry

office.

114,00 EUR Marriage at an outside wedding site.

13,00 EUR Marriage certificate, each additional identical and issued at the same time 7 €.

13,00 EUR International marriage certificate, each additional identical and issued at the same time 7 €.

33,00 EUR Acceptance of an affidavit in lieu of oath.

Payment of fees is possible by cash or card.

Family registers are not offered by the registry offices.