

## CERTIFICATES REGISTRATION General Information

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**The following general information is intended for  
people whose Italian citizenship has been recognized  
ONLY**

**PLEASE NOTE ALL ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES WILL BE KEPT IN OUR ARCHIVES AND NOT RETURNED**

### THE CERTIFICATE REGISTRATION SERVICE

The certificate registration service has to be requested **any time there is a new event** in the civil status of the Italian citizen. According to the Italian law, events like birth of a child, marriage, same-sex civil union, divorce or resolution of a same-sex union, death of any family member, change of name or surnames, and other civil status changes, **must be registered at the Consulate immediately, with no delay**. Please note that this is a **specific duty** for any Italian citizen living abroad. As a general rule, the certificates must be lodged at the Consulate where the Italian citizen is residing, but if the event has happened outside the usual place of residence, the competent Consulate of that place can process the registration of the certificate. *For example: if an Italian residing in SA had a child born in Thailand, the birth certificate can be lodged either at our Offices or at the Italian Embassy in Bangkok.*

Usual processing time for registration depends on the Italian Municipality where the certificate will be sent.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NAMES

It is of utmost importance to check that all data on certificates are consistent and that the correct names are shown throughout. Names of people born in Italy cannot be translated into English, shortened or changed – they must correspond to the birth registration details held by the Italian Municipalities. Incorrect certificates **should be amended** by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages **before** they are certified by means of an Apostille. This Consulate will not be responsible should any delays or further costs be incurred due to discrepancies in the original certificate.

### PRE-REQUISITES AND OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROCEDURE

Before you **submit the certificates, in person or by post**, please make sure that you have the following necessary pre- requisites:

- You are an Italian citizen born in Italy OR born abroad but already registered at any Italian Consulate;
- You have your certificates ready to be register as specified here :

#### **Australian certificates:**

- The original certificate has been issued by the relevant Australian Registry (1 – page 3)
- The original certificate has an apostille (2 – page 3)
- The certificate is translated into Italian by a NAATI Translator (3 – page 3)

#### **Foreign certificates:**

- The certificates must be prepared as specified by the Italian Embassy/Consulate where the

certificate was original issued. Check their website for further indications.

- Have completed the **Certificate Registration Request Form** that can be downloaded from our [FORMS webpage](#).

## ABOUT THE CERTIFICATES

### **BIRTH AND MARRIAGE AND SAME SEX DE FACTO CERTIFICATES**

All certificates must be original copies issued by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

### **DEATH CERTIFICATES**

It must be a simple copy and it does not need Apostille. It can be sent by email to [Consolato.adelaide@esteri.it](mailto:Consolato.adelaide@esteri.it)

### **DIVORCE CERTIFICATE**

All certificates must be originals issued by the Family Court, of the Decree Nisi or Certificate of Divorce or Divorce Order. Note that in some cases a Certificate of Divorce is **rejected** by some Italian Municipalities, so it is advisable to have a Decree Nisi or a Divorce Order.

### **AUSTRALIAN NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE**

This certificate does not need to be apostilled nor translated.

Present the Australian Naturalization Certificate to this Consulate, with a simple photocopy.

## AUSTRALIAN OFFICES AND NAATI TRANSLATORS

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### WHERE TO REQUEST BIRTH, MARRIAGE, SAME SEX DE FACTO AND DEATH CERTIFICATES

#### [REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES](#)

Phone: 131 882  
91 Grenfell Street, Adelaide

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### WHERE TO REQUEST THE DECREE NISI OR THE DIVORCE ORDER

#### [FAMILY LAW COURT](#)

Phone: (08) 8219 1625  
Roma Mitchell Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 3 Angas Street, Adelaide

### WHERE TO REQUEST THE NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE

#### [D.I.A.C. – Department of Immigration And Citizenship](#)

Phone: +61 13 18 81  
70 Franklin St, Adelaide SA 5000, Australia

### WHERE TO APPLY FOR THE APOSTILLE

#### [DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE](#)

Phone: +61 8 8403 4899  
5th Floor Allianz House,, 55 Currie Street, Adelaide SA 5000

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Documents may not be bundled together with one Apostille.  
Each document must be legalized singularly.

**TRANSLATIONS DO NOT REQUIRE APOSTILLES**

### NAATI TRANSLATORS

Please refer to [Naati webpage](#) for a full list of Official Translators.

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