



Divorce in Malaysia: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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Documents to submit

- **Dekri Nisi Mutlak / decree nisi absolute** (Divorce decree with date of legal force), issued by the High Court (Mahkamah Tinggi), or
- **Perakuan Cerai / Divorce Declaration Letter** (Divorce decree with date of legal force), issued by the Department of federal Territory Islamic Affairs.
- **Passport copies** of both ex-spouses
- **Address information** of both ex-spouses, before and after the divorce, on an empty A4 sheet

Translation

The documents which are not already bilingual (Malaysian/English) require a **translation** into English, German, French or Italian by a translation office approved by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Legalisation

All documents from Malaysia and their translations must be **legalized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia** before being submitted to the Regional Consular Center in Bangkok:

<https://www.kln.gov.my/>

Further information

Submission of all documents and certificates is possible during [counter opening hours](#) (with prior [appointment](#)) or by post. The Regional Consular Center can provide information on the choices of family names after the divorce.

All documents and certificates will be sent to the civil status office responsible for the registration. The processing time until the divorce is registered can take at least two months.

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