

GETTING MARRIED IN ITALY

THE FOREIGN CITIZEN OR CITIZENS CONCERNED MUST PRESENT TO THE OFFICIAL AT THE MARRIAGE REGISTRY OFFICE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

1. A CURRENTLY VALID PASSPORT
2. A “NULLA OSTA AL MATRIMONIO”, AS DESCRIBED BY ARTICLE 116 OF THE ITALIAN CODICE CIVILE, WHICH HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES IN ITALY (EMBASSY OR CONSULATE) OF THE COUNTRY OF WHICH THE FOREIGN PERSON(S) HOLD(S) CITIZENSHIP.

THE “NULLA OSTA AL MATRIMONIO” IS A DOCUMENT WHICH CERTIFIES THAT THE PERSON(S) SUBMITTING A REQUEST TO CONTRACT A CIVIL MARRIAGE IN ITALY IS (ARE) LEGALLY ENTITLED TO DO SO, AND THAT NO LEGAL IMPEDIMENTS EXSIST WICH MIGHT PREVENT SUCH A MARRIAGE FROM BEING CELEBRATED.

- For information regarding the precise documents which are required by the authorities of the relevant foreign country in order for the “Nulla Osta” to be issued, the applicant(s) must apply directly to the embassy or consulate in Italy of the country of the country of which they are citizens.
- The embassies of most countries are situated in Rome and the relevant addresses and telephone number may be obtained from the telephone directories for that city.
- It will be necessary to obtain legal recognition in Italy (in the form of certified translations etc.) for a “Nulla Osta” which is issued by the embassy or consulate of any country which has not ratified the International Conventions which make such additional legal recognition unnecessary.