INFORMATION

Hague apostille and diplomatic certification

Apostille on

☐ birth certificate(s)
☐ marriage certificate(s)/civil partnership certificate(s)
☐ divorce decree(s)/certificate(s) of dissolution of a civil partnership
☐ police clearance certificate(s)
☐ change of name(s) certificate(s)
☐ death certificate(s)

Documents can only be certified with the Hague apostille in the issuing state. The issuing state designates the authorities who are competent to issue the Hague apostille.

Hague Apostille Convention
The Hague Apostille Convention of 1961 abolishing the requirement of legislation for foreign public documents, of which Austria and Switzerland are contracting states, stipulates that documents with an apostille issued in the contracting states do not need any other certification by diplomatic representations or similar authorities.

An apostille is a certification in the form of a stamp and a signature that can only be applied on the original document by the competent authorities of the issuing state.

Diplomatic certification on

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☐ certification by the competent authority of the issuing state (usually the Foreign Ministry)
☐ certification by the Austrian embassy responsible for the issuing state
☐ death certificate(s)

PLEASE NOTE: Certifications can only be applied to original documents!