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| What are you waiting for?  The purpose of this article is to provide specialized information to a targeted audience whose interest is to obtain a licence getting married in St. Lucia | |
| SAINT LUCIA  DID YOU KNOW?  Saint Lucia is referred to as ‘Simply Beautiful’. It is also notably one of the best destinations in the Caribbean to get married. The island has been named the “World’s Leading Honeymoon Destination” by the World Travel Awards nine times, Saint Lucia is a refuge and an escape for lovers.  This island is one pick you are sure to be more than satisfied with. Let the majestic Pitons captivate you, the most enchanting views that you can ever picture for a wedding ceremony or anything you desire even beneath the blue sea perhaps!  By The Attorney General Chambers |  |

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| REQUIREMENTS Whether you are a foreigner or local the following requirements are mandatory when obtaining a marriage licence in Saint. Lucia.   1. **AGE:** parties should be over the age of 18, however; if at the age of 16, consent from the parent or legal guardian is required. This consent must be sworn before a Notary Royal. 2. **PROOF OF IDENTITY:**  Proof of your identity is required. For non-nationals, valid passports are mandatory. As it relates to Saint Lucian Nationals, valid identification cards, driver’s licences or passports are required. 3. **NO RELATION:** In the direct line, marriage is prohibited between ascendants and descendants and between persons connected by alliance whether the connection be legitimate or natural. 4. **PRESENT:** The parties must both have their respective places of abode within Saint Lucia preceding the date of the marriage petition. 5. **DOCUMENTS:** In cases of remarriages, the parties must prove that the previous marriage has been properly dissolved. Only original divorce certificates or certified copies endorsed by a court registry are accepted. The dissolution of a marriage is done by the following documents:  * Death Certificate * Divorce Decree * Annulment   **FOREIGN CERTIFICATES:** In cases where documents are not in English, a certified translation of the document by an authorized translator is required. The translated document as well as the original or certified copy of the document is required to be submitted as proof of the same.    Marriage Licence Fees:   * Ordinary Licence - $335.00 EC * Emergency Licence - $540.00 EC |  |
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| Frequently Asked Questions   1. **In What circumstances is a marriage prohibited?** 2. Marriages where persons are under the age of sixteen.(without consent ) 3. Marriages between an ancestor and or descendant; meaning marriages between brother and sister, uncle and niece or between aunt and nephew; where the relationship is by half or the blood or adoption. 4. A marriage contracted before the dissolution of the first marriage. 5. Marriage between persons connected in the same degree by marriage. 6. When either of the parties refuses to consent or lacks the capacity to consent due to mental incapacity, infirmity or party being of unsound mind. 7. A marriage between persons of the same gender. 8. **Who can perform a civil ceremony?**   Civil ceremonies can be performed by any of the following persons who have been appointed in accordance with the laws of Saint Lucia:  a) Civil Status Officers  b) Marriage Officers  c) District Registrars  **3. How long is a marriage licence valid?**  One month from date of issue.  **4. Is there a residency requirement?**  No, there is no residency requirement. |  |
| Voted as the World’s Leading Honeymoon Destination  As an island named the “World’s Leading Honeymoon Destination” by the World Travel Awards nine times, Saint Lucia is a refuge and an escape for lovers. The weddings, honeymoons, and romantic getaways of your dreams take place in Saint Lucia; the island’s luxurious accommodations will do justice to the occasion. You’re sure to cherish these memories for a lifetime. | |

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| Marriage Licence and Certificate  “HOW DO I GET MARRIED IN ST. LUCIA?”  The Ceremony and Celebration are the most memorable parts of a wedding, bound by two major legal documents; a marriage licence and a marriage certificate.  The difference between the two; a marriage licence is basically permission to get married in Saint. Lucia. It is a legal document issued by the **ATTORNEY GENERAL CHAMBERS**, after being submitted with an application for processing by the different law firms and wedding planners within our country**.**  When you have had your ceremony, your official goes to the **CIVIL STATUS REGISTRY**, with the presence of the signed marriage licence in Saint. Lucia where the legal document is made available to you. Upon receipt of the marriage certificate it is then proven that you are legally married.  **Civil Status Registry Contact information for Marriage Certificate:**  Office of the Registrar, Brazil Street, Castries, Saint Lucia Tel: +1 758-468-7017 Email: [civilstatusregistry@gmail.com](mailto:civilstatusregistry@gmail.com)  **Attorney General Chambers Contact information for Marriage License**  Francis Compton Building, Waterfront, Castries, Saint Lucia Tel: +1 758-468-3200 |  |
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