

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING BIRTH, DEATH AND MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES

Prior to the enactment of the birth and death registration Act Cap 51 of the laws of Zambia, birth registration was restricted to whites, coloured's and Asians. Any birth, therefore, which occurred before 14th March, 1973 and was not notified and registered **CAN NOT** be registered under the existing birth and death registration Act according to Section 22.

The practice for persons born before 14th March, 1973 has been to provide a letter that indicates **VITAL DETAILS** that would normally appear on the birth certificate **WITHOUT** issuing the actual certificate.

However, birth registration remains compulsory, and certificates are available to all persons born after 14th march 1973 and can be obtained by applying to

Registrar General of Births, Deaths & Marriages
P.O. Box 32311
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA
Tel: (260-1) 228197

If a Birth Certificate was not issued at birth, but a Hospital Record of Birth or Baptismal Certificate was obtained, an Affidavit must be prepared by a member of the applicant's family having knowledge of the birth.

The Affidavit must be sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths. The Hospital or Baptismal Certificate must be attached to the Affidavit and submitted to the Registrar General requesting issuance of a late Birth Certificate.

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Ask from the Embassy.

PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING DEATH CERTIFICATES

Available. See Birth Certificate

PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES

Available. See Birth Certificate

PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING DIVORCE CERTIFICATES

Available. Obtainable from one of the following addresses, depending on the section of Zambia in which the divorce took place:

Registrar of High Court
P.O. Box 50067
LUSAKA, ZAMBIA

Registrar of High Court
P.O. Box 70004
NDOLA, ZAMBIA

Registrar of High Court
P.O. Box 60110
LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA

