

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR CANADIAN CITIZENS

Thanks to our established relationships with the offices of competence in Venice, we will assist you in the management of all the necessary paperwork.

Documents required for Canadian citizens who intend to marry in Italy:

Foreign nationals wishing to get married in Italy are required to submit to the Italian Authorities the "Authorization" (Certificate of No Impediment) or equivalent documentation. The Canadian Federal Government does not issue the Authorization; however, in order to help Canadian citizens to fulfill the requirements for the specific documentation, the Canadian Embassy or its Consulates prepare a statement containing relevant information. This statement is accepted by the Italian Authorities.

To obtain this document from the Canadian Embassy or from other Canadian Consulate Authorities in Italy, the Canadian citizen must go to the Consular Section, fill in and swear an Affidavit stating that there are no impediments to the marriage vows.

You will need to bring along and submit the following documents:

- ❖ Valid Canadian passport;
- ❖ Proof of Canadian citizenship (Canadian birth certificate, Canadian citizenship certificate, birth registration certificate abroad);
- ❖ The parental consent if the person is under 18 years of age;
- ❖ The final divorce decree or death certificate of the previous spouse (in case of divorce or widowhood);
- ❖ The data of the bride or groom to be (full name, parents' names, date and place of birth, residence);
- ❖ Document issued by the competent Provincial Authorities in Canada for the statistics of Life, confirming that there are no records of other previous valid marriages. A woman whose previous marriage was completed within 300 days must obtain a clearance from the competent Public Prosecutor's Office. This document is issued upon presentation of a medical certificate stating the status of non-pregnancy.

In order to obtain the Authorization from the Canadian Consular Authority, a specific appointment has to be made, it will be made by us on your behalf. After the Authorization has been issued, it shall be brought by the applicant to the Prefecture of Rome, Legalization Office, to be formally authenticated by the Italian Authorities.

When the document has been "legalized", it will have to be presented to the Register Office of the Municipality where the ceremony will take place, this will be done by us on your behalf.