

REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES ALREADY SOLEMNIZED IN USA

Marriages of Indian nationals solemnized abroad are registered under the **Foreign Marriages Act 1969**.

Eligibility:	<p>One of the prospective bride or bridegroom must be an Indian national and a legal resident within the consular jurisdiction of CGI Chicago. Consular jurisdictions may be seen at https://www.indianembassyusa.gov.in/pages/MTk.</p> <p>Before visit in person or sending by post</p> <p>Please visit the website, https://www.cgichicago.gov.in/page/launching-of-esewa-portal-for-misc-consular-service-seekers/ for availing various Miscellaneous Consular Services through Online Consular Services System (eSewa Portal).</p> <p>It is mandatory to register the applicant on the above mentioned eSewa portal before in-person visit of sending applications through mail to the Consulate</p>
Fee:	<p>A fee of US\$50.00 (Fifty Only) and an additional fee of US\$2.00 (Two Only) towards Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) per application. The fees should be paid in two separate money orders / cashier's cheques, drawn in the favour of 'Consulate General of India, Chicago'. Personal cheques, personal money orders, debit / credit cards and other banking instruments are not accepted.</p> <p>CASH, PERSONAL CHEQUES, CREDIT CARDS, DEBIT CARDS OR OTHER BANKING INSTRUMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.</p>
How to apply:	<p>This service is available only in person at the Consulate. The bride and bride-groom, along-with the three witnesses are required to be present and sign before the Consular Officer for the registration of the marriage. Please email at cons.chicago@mea.gov.in to schedule an appointment as walk-in / in person services.</p>
Documents required:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bride and bride-groom both have to fill and sign the two forms: Miscellaneous Application Form and Marriage Registration Request Form. Paste recent passport size photographs wherever required.2. Marriage Certificate issued by the local authorities in USA (court / county) to be submitted in original along with a photo-copy.3. Passport, VISA and current residence proof of the bride, bridegroom and the three witnesses to be submitted in original along-with a photo-copy. VISA is not required for US nationals.4. Please bring two spare passport size photographs of the bride and bride-groom for pasting it on the marriage registration certificate.

**Processing
time :**

Same day, however, if unforeseen technical reasons occur, services can be delayed till those problems are resolved.