



Death in Tanzania: entry in the Swiss civil status register

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Documents to submit

- Original Certificate of death issued by Registration Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency (RITA) in Dar es Salaam.
If the death occurred in Zanzibar, the Birth Certificate ("Certified Copy of an entry in a Register of Births") needs to be issued by Zanzibar Civil Status Registration Agency (ZCSRA)
- Swiss identity documents of the deceased (passport and identity card). The voided documents can be returned for commemorative purposes if the family requests this when submitting them.
- contact information for reaching a member of the surviving family.

The original documents are submitted to the civil status authority concerned in Switzerland and must not be older than six months. They will not be returned. Photocopies are not accepted. Additional documents may be required if necessary.

Legalisation

All original Tanzanian civil status documents must be legalised before being submitted to the Swiss representation:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Dar es Salaam (4th Floor, Room 15, Shaaban Robert Street).

Fees

Entry of the death in the Swiss civil status register is free of charge.