

## GUIDANCE FOR IRISH NATIONALS WISHING TO MARRY IN THAILAND



This information is provided for general guidance only and has no legal authority.

<p><b>1. Make an affidavit to marry at the Embassy of Ireland</b></p> <p><b>Documents required:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>You should prepare the affidavit yourself in typewritten form on one page. On completion, please e-mail the same together with a copy of all required documents to the Embassy for review.</li></ul> <p>An appointment to sign the affidavit at the Irish Embassy <b>MUST</b> be made in advance. This should be done <b>at least 2 weeks, before the date of which you are to swear the affidavit.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>You will also be required to complete an MP1 questionnaire form. (Can complete on the appointment date at the Embassy)</li><li>Our time for swearing the affidavit is 10.00-11:30 a.m. on Monday to Friday and excluding public holidays (appointment will be confirm for you upon available of the Ambassador).</li><li>We charge Baht <b>2,400</b> per declaration and we can provide this service to Irish nationals only.</li><li>Please bring with you to the Embassy <b>1.</b> Your passport <b>2.</b> Long form birth certificate as proof of identity <b>3.</b> Evidence that any previous marriages have been terminated (death certificate or divorce certificate(s) as appropriate) <b>4.</b> Your intended spouse's passport OR birth certificate with certified true copy of English translation from a registered translator <b>5.</b> Your bank statement OR Employer's letter stated salary. <b>**ORIGINALS ARE REQUIRED**</b></li></ul>
<p><b>2. Have the affidavit translated into Thai</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Once the affidavit has been signed, you will need to have it translated into Thai. Please note that The Embassy does not undertake the preparation or translation of documents.</li></ul>
<p><b>3. Have the affidavit authenticated and translation certified</b></p> <p>กองสัญชาติและนิติกรณ์ กรมการกงสุล กระทรวงการต่างประเทศ 123 ถนนแจ้งวัฒนะ หลักสี่ กทม. 11120 (ใกล้การสื่อสารแห่งประเทศไทย) เวลาทำการ 8.00 - 11.30, 13.00 - 15.30 โทร 02-575-1056 - 59, 02-981-7171</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All Thai Registrars will require authentication of the Irish Diplomats's signature and certification of the Thai translation. This must be obtained from:</li></ul> <p><b>The Legalisation and Naturalisation Division, Department of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.</b></p> <p>123 ChaengWattana Road, Laksi District, Bangkok 11120 Tel. 02-575-1056 - 59, 02- 981-7171 (8.30 - 15.30 hrs.)</p>
<p><b>4. Submit the document to the Registrar</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The affirmation and translation are then ready for submission to the registrar, who, if satisfied, will register the marriage and issue a Thai marriage certificate.</li></ul>

- The Irish Embassy in Bangkok is not authorised to perform marriages.
- Marriage in Thailand should be performed according to Thai law and any detailed questions on the procedure should be addressed to the appropriate Thai authorities.
- A religious ceremony on its own is not sufficient.
- The documentation to be produced is at the discretion of each individual Registrar. Most Registrars will be satisfied with an affirmation of freedom to marry.
- The marriage will only be recognised under Irish law if it is valid under Thai law. For it to be valid in Thai law, the marriage **must be registered with the Registrar** at an Amphur Office (District Office). A list of some Amphur offices in Bangkok and upcountry is attached.
- The Thai marriage will be in Thai only. You may wish to commission a "**sworn translation**" of the marriage certificate from a translation bureau, so that you may use the document for legal purposes in Ireland.
- Please note that a foreign national does not automatically acquire Irish nationality through marriage to an Irish national.
- If you are marrying a Thai national, he or she will require a visa to visit or settle in Ireland.

**NB: THE FEES MAY ALTER WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE**

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PLEASE USE THIS AS A GUIDE, HAVE IT **RETYPED** IN THE SAME FORMAT INCLUDING YOUR DETAILS.

**EXAMPLE**

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, .....(*full name*).....holder of Irish Passport No. .... issued at ..... on ..... and valid until ..... make oath and declare as follows: -

I am an Irish citizen and I was born on ..... in ..... My father's name is ..... and my mother's name is .....

I am not bound by the ties of a lawful marriage under the laws of Ireland and I am free to contract a valid marriage with ....., passport number....., residing at.....according to Thai law.

I am single and have not previously been married / I am widowed / divorced. (\*)

(*please attach appropriate certificates - **originals only***)

I have ..... dependents from my previous marriage(s). (\*)

I support ..... children from my previous marriage(s). (\*)

My occupation is ..... and I have an income of ..... per month, proof of which I attach in employer's letter / bank statement (*for Thai Authorities only* and please choose only one proof)

I propose the following people for reference purposes if it is necessary to verify the above details:

1. Name: .....  
Address:.....

2. Name: .....  
Address: .....

(*It is usually preferable that these people should be Irish citizens and live in the same country as the signatory. Parents may be given as referees.*)

My permanent address in Ireland / *other country* is ..... (\*)

Sworn before me at the Irish Embassy in Bangkok in

Thailand this ..... day of .....2017.

- Signed by the Ambassador or Deputy Head of Mission -  
(\*) Delete as appropriate

## SOME AMPHUR OFFICES THROUGHOUT THAILAND

1. Khet Pathumwan Registration Office  
216/1 Chula 7, Kwang Wang-Mai, Bangkok 10330  
Tel: 02-214-3004
2. Khet Bangrak Registration Office  
5 Nares Road, Kwang Siphraya, Bangkok 10500  
Tel: 02-236-1395
3. Laksi Registration Office  
999 Moo.2 Chaeng Wattana Road., Bangkhen, Bangkok 10210  
Tel: 02-982-2081-2
4. Amphur Koh Samui Registration Office  
Taweeraj Pakdee Road, Tambon Angtong, Amphur Kok Samui, Surat Thani 84140  
Tel: 077-420-372, 420-373
5. Amphur Muang Phuket Registration Office  
Mae-Larn Road, Tambon Talardyai, Amphur Muang, Phuket 83000  
Tel: 076-211-171
6. Amphur Muang Chiang Mai Registration Office  
36 Intavarorot Road, Tambon Sri-Poom, Amphur Muang, Chiang Mai 50000  
Tel: 053-221-016
7. Amphur Banglamung Registration Office  
Moo 2, Sukhumvit Road, Tambon Na Klua, Amphur Banglamung,  
Chonburi 20150  
Tel: 038-443-020
8. Hua Hin District Office  
Dumnoenkasem Road, Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan 77110  
Tel: 032-511-025, 512-267
9. Amphur Koh Phangan  
Moo 2 Tongsala Chaloklum Road, Tambon Koh Phangan, Suratthani 84280  
Tel: 077-377-021, 377-064
10. Krabi Registration Office  
Uttarakij Road, Tambon Paknam, Amphur Muang, Krabi 81000  
Tel: 075-611-340