

WEDDINGS SANTORINI[®]

CHURCH WEDDING

Legal Documents for the Catholic Church

- BAPTISM CERTIFICATE

This document should be requested and dated close to your wedding date.

- CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATE

This document is the assurance that you are free from any canonical impediment for marriage.

a) These certificates must be obtained from the parish priest who baptized you, and must be dated within 3 months of your marriage.

b) If the date of your confirmation is not written in the parish you were baptized, you should ask for it from the parish in which you were confirmed.

c) Take these certificates to your present parish priest who should make the prenuptial inquiries and catechetical instruction.

- FREEDOM TO MARRY CERTIFICATE

- WRITTEN PERMISSION MUST BE OBTAINED FROM YOUR BISHOP TO HAVE YOUR MARRIAGE PERFORMED OUT OF YOUR PARISH AND HERE IN SANTORINI

This is according to Canon 1115" of the Codex Juris Canonici. Please discuss with your pastor.

- CERTIFICATE STATING YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE "PRE-CANA" INSTRUCTION CLASS, RETREAT OR MEETINGS

- DIVORCE CERTIFICATE IF ANY (from Civil and Church Authorities)

If either party has been divorced, please provide a certified copy of the Decree Absolute.

- Please note that all documents must be sent to the Archbishop's office in Syros Island for review 3 months before your wedding in Santorini.

- You have to stay in Santorini at least 1 working day after your wedding, in order to go to the Town Hall to sign your Marriage Certificate. It will be sent to you by post from the Town Hall. All paperwork (birth certificates, certificates of no impediment etc.) must stay in Santorini Town Hall. If the couple would like to keep their documents, they must obtain certified copies that will be kept in Santorini.

- Please note that the Town Hall is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

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