

In order to have a legal, Civil Ceremony, Mexican law requires that neither party can be legally married. For couples married in the country of origin, a Symbolic wedding or Vow Renewal ceremony can be performed. For couples previously married, a Civil wedding, a Symbolic or a Vow Renewal ceremony can be performed. Couples must arrive three (3) business days, Monday – Friday, (four (4) if being married at Cozumel Palace) prior to ceremony and must be at the resort by (12:00 PM) or earlier in order to consider day of arrival as the first day.

Three months before your wedding date (please submit via email to your wedding coordinator):

- Copy of Birth Certificates (certified copy of each one) to be translated into Spanish at the resort, at an extra cost.
- 2. Copy of your passports
- 3. If divorced, a certified copy of Divorce Decree in Spanish to be translated on property, at an extra cost.
- 4. Legal documentation of adoption or name change (If applicable)\*
- 5. Certified copy of former spouse's Death Certificate (If applicable)\*







## UPON YOUR ARRIVAL:

- 1. Home address and occupations (Bride & Groom)
- 2. Valid passports
- 3. Tourist ID Cards (Provided by immigration upon your arrival at Cancun International Airport). Please be sure to complete all information correctly on tourist ID, otherwise you may need to obtain a new Tourist ID at the Airport. Names on Tourist ID, divorce decree, birth certificates and Passport MUST be the same. Please be advised that the civil registry department will take the exact names reflected on the Bride and Grooms passport to generate the marriage certificate.
- 4. Blood test (To determine Blood type, H.I.V and S.T.D). Tests must be taken at the resort and results are ready within 24 hours. (Fee of approx. \$50.00 USD per person is included in the administrative/government fee) (Fee of approximately \$84.00 USD for Isla Mujeres only is included in the administrative/government fee). If test is positive a special release must be signed by couple in order to proceed with the ceremony. Results will be delivered directly to the Justice of the Peace office.
- 5. If divorced less than one year, a mandatory pregnancy test must be taken at the Resort (\$15.00 USD approx.). If test is positive, wedding cannot be performed. Four witnesses and their details: name, age, nationality, home address, occupation, passport and tourist ID. Witnesses must arrive three (3) business days Monday – Friday (four (4) if going to Cozumel Palace)

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

If the Bride or Groom's nationality is Mexican, additional documents are required. Please advise your wedding coordinator at least 3-months in advance. Names on Tourist ID, divorce decree and Passport MUST be the same, including spelling.

Please note that Birth Certificates, Divorce Decrees, Death Certificates, Adoption and name hange documents become the property of the State of Quintana Roo, Mexico. A Marriage Certificate is provided by the State of Quintana Roo, Mexico for civil ceremonies, this is a legal document issued in Spanish.

All wedding couples must contact their local courthouse for filing requirements. Every state/country is different when it comes to filing of foreignmarriage documents. Some states/countries require the certificates to be translated from Spanish to English others may require additional paperwork to be filed. This is the couples' responsibility and Palace Resorts is not liable for any additional charges that may be associated according to the state/country's requirements on supplementary paperwork.

Ceremony cannot be performed unless all documents are in order. (NO EXCEPTIONS). All documents with the exception of passports become the property of the State of Quintana Roo, Mexico. Documents are accepted in Spanish with translations done on site by a certified translator at an additional cost. Cost may vary depending on number of pages per document. Translations take up to three (3) business days.









## DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR SYMBOLIC OR VOW RENEWAL CEREMONIES

Symbolic weddings are not legally binding ceremonies. It is the responsibility of the couple to get legally married in their hometown whether it's pre/post travel. Couple¬¬ must arrive two (2) business days, Monday – Friday, (three (3) if going to Cozumel Palace) business days prior to ceremony and must be at the resort by (12:00 PM) or earlier in order to consider day of arrival as the first day.

## Upon your arrival:

- 1. Valid passport
- Tourist ID Card (Provided by immigration upon your arrival at Cancun International Airport).



