



Process for Marriages Celebrated in Another (Arch)Diocese

At least two months prior to the date of the wedding, send the following documentation to the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, 100 E. Eighth St. Cincinnati, OH 45202. For marriages outside the country, please submit the entire packet of paperwork to the Tribunal no later than two months before the wedding. However, due to possible complications with shipping, we recommend sending the packet four to six months prior to the date of marriages celebrated in another country. The documentation will be reviewed and, if all is in order, it will be forwarded to the (Arch)Diocese where the marriage will be celebrated.

Include in the packet of paperwork:

- the completed M1 form (with appropriate signatures of cleric who prepared the couple for marriage and of the couple)
- recently issued baptismal certificates with notations for both the bride and the groom
- completed M2 form if a dispensation or special permission is required
- two MB forms for both the bride and the groom
- responses from the couples for the couple's insert questionnaire
- any certificates of completion for marriage preparation programs or other courses (e.g. Genesis Retreat, FOCCUS or Fully Engaged Inventory, Natural Family Planning course)
- letter from the pastor of either the bride or groom granting his permission that the wedding take place at the location outside of the diocese and for the minister who will witness the marriage to assist at it (this is not delegation, just permission of the proper pastor)

Any questions can be directed to Rev. Jason Williams, J.C.L., Chancellor: jwilliams@catholicaoc.org.