

AFFIDAVIT CHECKLIST FOR BHUTANESE SPOUSE

FORM 8 KA (Bhutanese Spouse)

We do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that:-

- I am 18 years of age and eligible to marry. (*Section Kha 1-14 of the Marriage act*).
- I do not fall under restricted category of consanguinity. (*Section Kha 1-10 of the Marriage Act*).
- We have known each other for more than one year.
- A copy of my citizenship identity card is genuine.
- I have not been married previously and it is affirmed by single status certificate.
- A genuine letter signed by my former spouse expressing his/her consent to the subsequent marriage is submitted. (*Section Kha 1-19 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- The birth certificate of the child/children submitted is genuine.(if any)
- A copy of the citizenship identity card of my father/mother/foster/adopted parents/ and of any person from whom a letter of consent stating the marital status has been obtained is genuine.
- I have not been convicted of any criminal offense.
- I have not committed an act of treason against Bhutan. (*Section Kha 6-14 of the Marriage Act*).
- I shall adopt the existing Bhutanese traditions and customs, and comply with the Constitution and any other Bhutanese laws. (*Section Kha 2-10 of the Marriage Act*).
- The divorce agreement or judgment submitted is genuine. (*Section Kha 1-18 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- I am not restricted from marrying again by any clause in the divorce agreement/judgment. (*Section 6-4 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- I have not processed for three Marriage Certificates neither divorced the previous spouses due to repeated misconduct. (*Section Kha 1-15 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- I have not paid damages for misconduct on any three separate occasions. (*Section Kha 1-16 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- One year has passed since the death of my previous spouse evidenced by a certified copy of the death certificate. (*Section Kha 1-20 of the Marriage Act*). (If applicable)
- In the event of death of both the foster father/mother, a certified consent stating the marital status has been obtained from the head of the family and two other relatives of first, second or third degree consanguinity. In such case, a death certificate of the deceased foster father/mother issued by competent authority and a relationship certificate duly issued by the Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs to establish the relationship of the person applying for a certificate is genuine.

- If the parents, foster/adopted parents, relatives, or legal guardians deny giving the certificate of consent and the certificate stating the marital status, then such certificate shall be obtained from the respective court or the public notary office.
- I shall not stand for any elected office. (*Article 23 Section 4 of the Constitution*).
- I shall not seek employment in the defense or Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Bhutan. (*Sections Kha 2-6 and 2-7 of the Marriage Act*)
- I shall not apply for land and any other kidu. (*Sections Kha 2-6 and 2-7 of the Marriage Act*)
- I shall not apply for any loans from any financial institution. (*Sections Kha 2-6 and 2-7 of the Marriage Act*)
- I shall not claim other benefits restricted under the laws.
- I shall comply with Section Kha 2-8 of the Marriage Act and restrict from enjoying the privileges and benefits as mentioned herein below:
 - I shall not receive any aid from the government to pursue or undergo training in foreign countries.
 - I shall forfeit any Government aided expenses given for studies and training from the date of marriage.
 - I shall refund the expenditure incurred by the government on my studies or undergoing training paid up till the date of marriage.
- I shall not apply for any further promotions in the Government service. (*Sections Kha 2-4 and 2-5 of the Marriage Act*).
- I shall declare and surrender my Bhutanese citizenship, if I am holding any citizenship of another country. (*Marriage Act and the Constitution of Bhutan*).
- One year has passed from the date of the rejection of the previous marriage certificate application. (If applicable).
- One year has lapsed from the date of divorce of the previous marriage with bhutanese citizen. (if applicable).