

## **An application for a Certificate of marital status to get married in Denmark**

*If you want to make an easy and quickly your apply with wedding agency [www.speedheirat.com](http://www.speedheirat.com) we suggest to use digital service. You only need a personal computer or notebook, a cell phone number and email address both applicants. You must continuously enter the documents and submit them to us separately scanned and in digital form.*

### **What I/we need to do?**

If you and your partner want to get married in Denmark you must apply for a Certificate of marital status. You need to fill out this application and send in the required documents. Your wedding agency [www.speedheirat.com](http://www.speedheirat.com) will submit these for you.

It is possible to give a power of attorney to a third party, i.e. someone who represents you, and whom is applying for a Certificate of marital status on behalf of you.

You can find the power of attorney on our homepage: <https://speedheirat.com/en/forms.html>

If you need a Certificate of marital license in order to getting married in Denmark you need to meet the conditions in the Danish Marital Act before we can issue the Certificate of marital license. We can not, however, disregard the requirement that you must be able to enter and reside legally in Denmark.

If you meet the conditions we will send the Certificate directly to the authorized persons, because you have authorized Wedding Agency [www.speedheirat.com](http://www.speedheirat.com)

Please note, that the power of attorney does not authorize the third party to sign the declaration of truth on your behalf. You must always fill out and sign the Declaration of truth yourself. Please make sure to attach a scanned copy of the signed declaration when you submit your application.

The Declaration of truth is the signature page of the application.

An 11B statement on knowledge of the Danish Aliens Act's requirements for family reunification can be found in Appendix 2.

In the appendixes you will find information on who is required to fill them out.

During the application process you will be asked a number of questions. We only ask questions that are relevant and necessary for the expedition of your application.

Your and your partner's answers will determine which questions you'll be asked next and what documentation you are required to attach when submitting your application.

Questions that are marked with a "\*" are mandatory and must be answered.

Please note, that we cannot start processing your application before we have received the administration fee.

The administration fee is currently: 1.650 DKK.

You can either pay the administration fee with a credit card or pay by bank transfer. If you are paying the fee via a bank transfer, it may take up to three business days before the payment is registered in our system.

Your Wedding Agency [www.speedheirat.com](http://www.speedheirat.com) will pay these fees directly when filing your case.

### **Processing of personal data**

Agency of Family Law handles and processes personal data electronically. The General Data Protection Regulation is therefore in effect in regards to all processing of any kind in Agency of Family Law. If you would like further information, you can visit the following page

[www.familieretshuset.dk/persondata](http://www.familieretshuset.dk/persondata) as well here: <https://speedheirat.com/de/datenschutzerklaerung.html>

## **Before applying**

Please make sure to have the following information / documents ready:

- The name, mobile number and e-mail of you and your partner.
- Your passport – you must attach pictures or copies of all pages in your passport including the front and back pages as well as blank pages, or
- Your EU/EEA ID card – picture or copy of both sides of your ID-card
- Documentation for legal entry and residence in Denmark.
  - If you're from outside the EEA or Switzerland – a visa or a residence permit
  - If you're from the EEA and living in Denmark – a EU residence document / Permanent residence permit
- Certificate of marital status if you have not previously been married. The document must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German.
- Certificate of Residence or other documentation as proof if you live together outside of Denmark. The document must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German. The document must not be more than 4 months old.
- If you have one or more common children, you must attach copies of their birth certificate(s). The document(s) must be attached in both the original language and translated into either, English or German.

If you have previously been married you must attach proof that the marriage has ended by divorce, death or annulment:

- Copy of divorce agreement or
- Copy of death certificate or
- Copy of annulment.

The documents must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German. There may be a requirement that the documents are legalized or Apostille-signed. Please visit your Wedding Agency homepage for further information INFORMATION-CORRECT LEGALIZE: <https://speedheirat.com/en/information.html>

## **How to avoid a long expedition time**

You can avoid a long expedition time by following these steps:

- By filling in the application form correctly and attaching all the required documents in a good quality (i.e. a high resolution).

## **Which documents do I/we have to send our wedding agency attach?**

The documents that you may be required to send to us are mentioned above. Depending on your stated answers in the application form, the documentation you are required to send to us may vary.

## **Which additional appendixes do I/we have to fill out?**

Each appendix has information on whom is required to fill it out.

## **Processing disclosure**

Agency of Family Law may, under certain conditions pass disclosures, i.e. either according to law or when there has been given a consent.

Agency of Family Law may process disclosures according to law to the following authorities: The Danish Immigration Service, the Danish Agency for International Recruitment and Integration (SIRI) and the Danish police. The passing of such disclosure may happen in a situation where Agency of Family Law has processed an application for a Certificate of marital status but where the couple did not meet the required conditions in the Marriage Act section 8a or section 11a.

At any time, the disclosure to the above mentioned authorities only happens in situations where Agency of Family Law concludes that the disclosure is necessary with reference to the Danish Immigration Act or the Criminal Code.

When you sign the application form, you also consent to your information being passed on to your partner.

## Where would you like to get married

Please indicate in which municipality, parish or religious community you would like to get married.

For further information please see appendix 1, section 1.

If you meet all the requirements for a Certificate of marital status, we will send it to the municipality, the parish church or the religious community, that you have indicated in the application form.

If you need a Certificate of marital license in order to get married outside Denmark you also need to meet the conditions in the Danish Marital Act before we can issue the Certificate of marital license.

If you meet the conditions we will send the Certificate directly to you.

### 1. Marriage

|   |   |
|---|---|
| How would you like to get married? *                        | <input type="checkbox"/> A civil marriage in a town hall<br><input type="checkbox"/> A church wedding<br><input type="checkbox"/> A wedding in a religious community<br><input type="checkbox"/> Abroad (outside Denmark) |
| Which municipality would you like to get married in?        | <input type="text"/>  |
| Which parish would you like to get married in?              | <input type="text"/>  |
| Which religious community would you like to get married in? | <input type="text"/>  |

### 2. Application

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Application method? * | <input type="checkbox"/> I have attached a power of attorney. |
|-----------------------|---|

### 3. Administration fee

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| <input type="checkbox"/> My authorized persons/my wedding agency will pay the administration fee in my name. |
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#### 4. Information on the first applicant

|   |   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| First name, middle name and surname *   |   | <input type="text"/> |
| Danish CPR number, if applicable  | Danish immigration ID number, if applicable   | <input type="text"/> |
| Birthdate, if applicable  | <i>You have a Danish immigration number if you have an EU-registration document or a residence permit</i>                                 |                      |
| <input type="text"/>  |   |                      |
| Email   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Telephonenumber   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Information on the applicants citizenship *   | <input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other country                                 |                      |
|   | Which citizenship do you have? *  | <input type="text"/> |
| Do you have a second nationality?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other country |                      |
|   | Which citizenship do you have? *  | <input type="text"/> |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
| Are you exempted from the visa requirement?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
| <i>When sending the application, please remember to attach the necessary documents regarding your legal residency in Denmark.</i> |   |                      |
| State reason for missing info/documentation   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Have you previously had another citizenship   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
|   | Which nationality?  | <input type="text"/> |
| Gender  | <input type="checkbox"/> Male<br><input type="checkbox"/> Female  |                      |

#### 4.2 Information about the place of birth - first applicant

In which country were you born? \*

In which city were you born? \*

#### 5. Addresses and contact information - first applicant

Do you live in Denmark?

Yes

No

Address \*

Post number \*

Town\*

Country

Are you currently staying in Denmark?

Yes

No

When was your latest stay in Denmark?

From which country have you entered Denmark?

*Please only answer the question if you are currently staying in Denmark.*

#### 6. Information on the applicants travel documents - first applicant

Do you have a passport or an EU/EEA ID card? \*

Passport

EU/EEA ID card

Please state your passport or EU/EEA ID number \*

Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card was issued? \*

Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card expires? \*

In which country was your passport/EU/EEA ID card issued?

*Please attach a copy of your passport/EU/EEA ID card with ALL pages, including blanks and the front- and back page.*

## 7. Personal information about you - first applicant

Former marriage (s) /civil partnership (s)

*In Denmark, it is a condition that a previous marriage / civil partnership has officially ended before you are getting married again. A marriage can end with a divorce, the death of the former spouse or via an annulment.*

Have you had any former marriages / civil partnerships? \*

Yes

No

*If you have not been married before, please attach a civil certificate or a similar document stating that you are not married. The document must be issued by an entitled authority in the country that you are currently living in.*

State reason for missing info/documentation

### 7.2 Information about previous marriages / civil partnerships. - first applicant

(You are only required to fill in the information if you have previously been married.)

Former marriage / civil partnership

Full name of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the birthday of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the nationality of your latest spouse / civil partner

When did you marry? Please state the date

When did the marriage end? Please state the date

How was the latest marriage /  
civil partnership dissolved?

Divorce

Death

*(If the marriage has ended at death in Denmark, see Appendix 1, section 3)*

Annulment

*Please attach documentation for respectively the divorce, the death of the former spouse or the annulment of the marriage.*

State reason for missing info/documentation

## 8. Other personal info - first applicant

*Under section 3 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, a person who is under guardianship under section 5 of the Danish Act on Guardianship or under guardianship combined with deprivation of a person's legal capacity, cf. section 6 of The Danish Act on Guardianship cannot marry without the consent of the guardian. The consent can be given on a special form, please see appendix 3.*

Are you under guardianship? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 6 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two relatives in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents and children) or siblings cannot marry.*

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 7 of The Danish Act on The formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two people are not allowed to marry if one of them has been married to the other ones relative in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents – in-law and children) without the permission of the National Division Social Appeals Board, Division of Family Affairs.*

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 8 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, an adoptive parent and his/her adopted child cannot marry as long as the adoptive relationship exists.*

Is there an adoptive relationship between you and the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

## 9. Information concerning the second party - first applicant

Do you and your partner have children together?  Yes

No

*Information about your common children \* (only if you have answered yes to the above questions)*

### Child 1

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 2

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 3

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 4

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

*Please attach the birth certificate/certificates of your child / your children. Please note, that there might be specific requirements for the documents, for example a certification or a legalization.*

## 10. Information about the cohabitation with your partner - first applicant

Do you live together / have you been living together?

Yes

*(If you have no children together, please attach documentation for your cohabitation.*

*(Please see appendix 1, section 6 for further info.)*

No

If you have lived together.

When and where did you live together?

## 11. Information on how you met your partner - first applicant

If you have answered yes to either question number 9 or 10, you do not need to answer the following questions

When did you meet your partner for the first time?

How did you meet your partner? \*

Did you meet your partner online? \*

Yes

No

Have you met each other personally? \*

Yes

No

How often are you in contact with each other? \*

In which language do you speak with each other? \*



## 12. Information on the second applicant

|   |   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| First name, middle name and surname *   |   | <input type="text"/> |
| Danish CPR number, if applicable  | Danish immigration ID number, if applicable   | <input type="text"/> |
| Birthdate, if applicable  | <i>You have a Danish immigration number if you have an EU-registration document or a residence permit</i> |                      |
| <input type="text"/>  |   |                      |
| Email   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Telephonenumber   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Information on the applicants citizenship *   | <input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland   |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other country  |                      |
|   | Which citizenship do you have? *  | <input type="text"/> |
| Do you have a second nationality?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland   |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other country  |                      |
|   | Which citizenship do you have? *  | <input type="text"/> |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
| Are you exempted from the visa requirement?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
| <i>When sending the application, please remember to attach the necessary documents regarding your legal residency in Denmark.</i> |   |                      |
| State reason for missing info/documentation   | <input type="text"/>  |                      |
| Have you previously had another citizenship   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> No   |                      |
|   | Which nationality?  | <input type="text"/> |
| Gender  | <input type="checkbox"/> Male   |                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Female   |                      |

## 12.2 Information about the place of birth - second applicant

|                                   |                      |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| In which country were you born? * | <input type="text"/> |
| In which city were you born? *    | <input type="text"/> |

## 13. Addresses and contact information - second applicant

|   |                              |                             |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Do you live in Denmark?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Address *   | <input type="text"/>         |                             |
|   | <input type="text"/>         |                             |
| Post number *   | <input type="text"/>         | Town* <input type="text"/>  |
| Country   | <input type="text"/>         |                             |
| Are you currently staying in Denmark?   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| When was your latest stay in Denmark?   | <input type="text"/>         |                             |
| From which country have you entered Denmark?                                    | <input type="text"/>         |                             |
| <i>Please only answer the question if you are currently staying in Denmark.</i> |                              |                             |

## 14. Information on the applicants travel documents - second applicant

|  |                                   |   |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| Do you have a passport or an EU/EEA ID card? *   | <input type="checkbox"/> Passport | <input type="checkbox"/> EU/EEA ID card |
| Please state your passport or EU/EEA ID number *   | <input type="text"/>              |   |
| Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card was issued? *  | <input type="text"/>              |   |
| Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card expires? *   | <input type="text"/>              |   |
| In which country was your passport/EU/EEA ID card issued?  | <input type="text"/>              |   |
| <i>Please attach a copy of your passport/EU/EEA ID card with ALL pages, including blanks and the front- and back page.</i> |                                   |   |

## 15. Personal information about you - second applicant

Former marriage (s) /civil partnership (s)

*In Denmark, it is a condition that a previous marriage / civil partnership has officially ended before you are getting married again. A marriage can end with a divorce, the death of the former spouse or via an annulment.*

Have you had any former marriages / civil partnerships? \*

Yes

No

*If you have not been married before, please attach a civil certificate or a similar document stating that you are not married. The document must be issued by an entitled authority in the country that you are currently living in.*

State reason for missing info/documentation

### 15.2 Information about previous marriages / civil partnerships. - second applicant

(You are only required to fill in the information if you have previously been married.)

Former marriage / civil partnership

Full name of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the birthday of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the nationality of your latest spouse / civil partner

When did you marry? Please state the date

When did the marriage end? Please state the date

How was the latest marriage /  
civil partnership dissolved?

Divorce

Death

*(If the marriage has ended at death in Denmark, see Appendix 1, section 3)*

Annulment

*Please attach documentation for respectively the divorce, the death of the former spouse or the annulment of the marriage.*

State reason for missing info/documentation

## 16. Other personal info - second applicant

*Under section 3 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, a person who is under guardianship under section 5 of the Danish Act on Guardianship or under guardianship combined with deprivation of a person's legal capacity, cf. section 6 of The Danish Act on Guardianship cannot marry without the consent of the guardian. The consent can be given on a special form, please see appendix 3.*

Are you under guardianship? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 6 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two relatives in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents and children) or siblings cannot marry.*

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 7 of The Danish Act on The formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two people are not allowed to marry if one of them has been married to the other ones relative in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents – in-law and children) without the permission of the National Division Social Appeals Board, Division of Family Affairs.*

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

*Under section 8 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, an adoptive parent and his/her adopted child cannot marry as long as the adoptive relationship exists.*

Is there an adoptive relationship between you and the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? \*

Yes

No

## 18. Information concerning the first party - second applicant

Do you and your partner have children together? \*

Yes

No

*Information about your common children \* (only if you have answered yes to the above questions)*

### Child 1

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 2

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 3

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

### Child 4

Full name of the child \*

The nationality of your child \*

The birthday of your child \*

*Please attach the birth certificate/certificates of your child / your children. Please note, that there might be specific requirements for the documents, for example a certification or a legalization.*

## 19. Information about the cohabitation with your partner - second applicant

Do you live together / have you been living together?

Yes

*(If you have no children together, please attach documentation for your cohabitation.*

*(Please see appendix 1, section 6 for further info.)*

No

## 20. Information on how you met your partner - second applicant

If you have answered yes to either question number 18 or 19, you do not need to answer the following questions

When did you meet your partner for the first time?

How did you meet your partner? \*

Did you meet your partner online? \*

Yes

No

Have you met each other personally? \*

Yes

No

How often are you in contact with each other? \*

In which language do you speak with each other? \*

## Signatures

I declare that the information I have given is true and that I understand that giving false information is a punishable offence, cf. section 163 of the Danish Criminal Code.

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| First applicant signature:  | Date: |
| Second applicant signature: | Date: |

### **About section 163 of the Criminal Code**

*Pursuant to section 163 of the Criminal Code, a person who gives a false written statement for use in legal matters that concern the authorities is punishable by a fine or imprisonment of up to 4 months.*

## Appendix 1

### 1. A church wedding or a wedding in a religious community?

If you want to get married in an established church, at least one of you has to be a member of the national church in Denmark. The same applies if you want to get married in a religious community: At least one you have to be a member of the religious community.

### 2: Legal entry and stay in Denmark / If you are subject to immigration control

According to the Danish Marriage Act we can only issue a Certificate of marital status for you if you meet the conditions for staying legally in Denmark.

Different rules are applicable, depending on your citizenship.

You are staying legally in Denmark if you:

- Have the Danish citizenship
- You have a citizenship from a Nordic country (i.e. Sweden, Norway, Finland or Iceland)
- You have a citizenship from a EU member state or Switzerland
- You have a citizenship from a non-visa country (Please see the list on non-visa countries at our homepage)
- You have a residence permit or a tourist visa issued in Denmark or in a Schengen country

#### You can attach the following documentation :

- Your passport / ID card
- Visa, including a tourist visa
- A residence permit or an EU registration certificate from Denmark
- A residence permit from another Schengen country
- Other documentation on a Nordic citizenship or a citizenship in a EU member state
- Documentation for the time of entry to Denmark, for example a passport stamp

### 3. Requirements on the administration of a joint property with reference to a previous marriage where the former spouse has died:

If the marriage has ended because the former spouse has died and the estate of the deceased person is being processed, the one who has lived longest may not marry before the joint property is under a (public) administration of an estate.

The former does not apply in the following situations:

- If there was not a community of property in the former marriage, as a result all property of the previous marriage is considered entirely as separate estate (please attach the registered prenuptial agreement from the land registry for documentation).
- You were separated from your former spouse when he/she died. Please attach a separation order or a notice from the Danish CPR registry.
- All heirs give their consent that the longest living may marry a new partner. The former is not possible if you're retaining in an undivided possession of the estate. If this is the case, the administration of the deceased spouse's estate must be completed before you can get married again.

### 4. Documentation on a divorce, the death of your former partner or an annulment

If you have been married or in a civil partnership or your previous partner has died, please attach:

- A scanned copy of the divorce decree (you don't need to send the decree if you have been divorced in Denmark).
- The annulment of your previous marriage.
- A scanned copy of the death certificate (you don't need to send a copy of the death certificate if your former partner lived in Denmark).

When sending your application, you must attach a copy of the original divorce decree, the death certificate or the annulment. Furthermore the documents must be translated either into English or German.

**5. Birth certificate of your child / birth certificates of your children – only applicable, if you have children with your partner**

You must attach the birth certificate / the birth certificates of your children. The names of the parents (i.e. mother and father) must be stated in the document. Please note, that there might be other specific requirements for the birth certificate, inter alia an apostille endorsement or a certification. For further information please see your wedding agency of homepage INFORMATION - CORRECT LEGALIZE: <https://speedheirat.com/en/information.html>

**6. Documentation on the cohabitation with your partner**

You can attach the following documents:

- A residence certificate
- A renting contract, please note that the renting contract must state the name of your partner and your name
- Invoices that have been sent to your address, please note that the invoices must have been sent to your partner and you
- Other documentation proving that you are living together

The abovementioned examples are not exhaustive.

## Appendix 2

Declaration in compliance with section 11 b of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage [ægteskabsloven] concerning knowledge of the rules on family reunification of spouses stipulated in the Danish Aliens Act [udlændingeloven]

Pursuant to section 9(1)(i)(a-e) of the Aliens Act, a residence permit may, upon application, be granted to an alien over the age of 24 cohabiting at a shared residence, either in marriage or in regular cohabitation of prolonged duration, with a person permanently resident in Denmark over the age of 24 who a) is a Danish national; b) is a national of one of the other Nordic countries; c) holds a residence permit as a refugee under section 7(1) or (2) or section 8; d) has held a residence permit under section 7(3) for more than the last 3 years; or e) has held a permanent residence permit for Denmark for more than the last 3 years.

Family reunification of spouses is usually subject to fulfilment of all the following conditions:

- Both spouses must sign a declaration stating that, to the best of their ability, they will involve themselves actively in the Danish language courses and integration into the Danish society of the applicant and any accompanying foreign children.i
- Family reunification of spouses may, if particular reasons make it appropriate, be subject to the spouse living in Denmark providing evidence that he can maintain the applicant.ii
- The spouse living in Denmark must provide financial security to cover any future public expenses for assistance granted to the applicant under the Danish Active Social Policy Act [lov om aktiv socialpolitik] or the Danish Integration Act [integrationsloven].iii The amount is subject to annual adjustment and amounted to DKK 54,289.48 on 1 January 2017.
- For a period of 3 years before the decision on the residence permit is made, the spouse living in Denmark must not have received assistance under the Active Social Policy Act or the Integration Act.iv However, this does not apply to assistance in the form of small amounts of isolated benefits not directly related to maintenance, or benefits which are comparable to wages or salaries or pension payments or replace such income.
- The spouse living in Denmark must provide evidence that he has an independent residence of a reasonable size at his disposal.v
- Unless exceptional reasons make it inappropriate, including regard for family unity, the spouses' aggregate ties with Denmark must be stronger than their aggregate ties with another country.vi
- It must not be considered doubtful whether the marriage has been contracted at both parties' own desire.vii If the marriage has been contracted between close relatives or otherwise closely related parties, it must be considered doubtful, unless particular reasons make it inappropriate, including regard for family unity, that the marriage was contracted at both parties' own desire.viii
- For a period of 10 years prior to the date of the decision on family reunification of spouses, the spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced by final judgment to imprisonment or suspended imprisonment or to other criminal sanction involving or allowing deprivation of liberty for assault against a spouse or cohabitant.ix
- An application for family reunification must not have been refused to the applicant's accompanying child on the grounds that, within a period of 10 years prior to the date of the decision, the spouse living in Denmark has been sentenced by final judgement to imprisonment or suspended imprisonment or to other criminal sanction involving or allowing deprivation of liberty for assault against under-age children.x However, this does not apply if the applicant's child can be required to take up residence with close family in its country of origin and regard for the best interests of the child does not make it inappropriate, or if exceptional reasons otherwise make it inappropriate, including regard for family unity.xi

If the spouse living in Denmark is not a Danish national, a national of one of the other Nordic countries or holds a residence permit as a refugee, family reunification of spouses is normally subject to fulfilment of all the following conditions:xii



- The spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced to imprisonment for 18 months or more or to other criminal sanction involving or allowing deprivation of liberty for an offence that would have resulted in a punishment of such duration.xiii
- The spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced to imprisonment for 60 days or more for violation of Part 12 or 13 of the Danish Criminal Code [straffeloven].xiv
- The spouse living in Denmark must have no overdue debt to any public authorities unless the deadline for paying the debt has been extended and the debt does not exceed DKK 100,000 (DKK 111,727.75 at the 2017 level, the amount being subject to adjustment once annually). xv
- For a period of the last 3 years prior to the date of the application for a residence permit, the spouse living in Denmark must not have received any public assistance under the Active Social Policy Act or the Integration Act.xvi However, this does not apply to assistance in the form of small amounts of isolated benefits not directly related to maintenance, or benefits which are comparable to wages or salaries or to pension payments or replace such income.
- The spouse living in Denmark must have passed the Danish-1 test [Prøve i Dansk 1], see section 9(1) of the Danish Act on Danish Courses for Adult Aliens and Others [lov om danskuddannelse til voksne udlændinge m.fl.] or another Danish language test at a similar or higher level.xvii
- The spouse living in Denmark must have been enrolled in education or must have had ordinary employment or pursued activity as a self-employed person for at least 3 years within the last 5 years prior to the date of the application for a residence permit, and must still be assumed to participate in the labour market or be enrolled in education at the time when a residence permit can be issued.xviii

Family reunification of spouses is usually subject to the alien passing a Danish language test at level A1 established by the Minister of Immigration and Integration or another Danish language test at similar or higher level.xix The test must be passed within 6 months of the date of the alien's registration with the national register of persons or, if the alien already holds a residence permit for Denmark, when the residence permit under section 9(1) (i) of the Aliens Act was issued. If the alien has taken, but not passed the test within 6 months, the test may be re-taken up to 3 months after expiry of the time limit of 6 months. In case of a lawful excuse, the said time limits may, upon application, be suspended by a period equalling the duration of the lawful excuse.

Family reunification of spouses is always subject to fulfilment of the following condition:

- There must be no particular reasons for assuming that the decisive purpose of contracting marriage is to obtain a residence permit.xx

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we are both familiar with the said provisions of section 9(1)(i), subsections (2-14) and subsection (30) of the Aliens Act on family reunification of spouses, see section 11 b of the Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage.

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- i See section 9(2) of the Aliens Act.  
ii See section 9(3)(ii) of the Aliens Act.  
iii See section 9(4)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
iv See section 9(5)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
v See section 9(6) of the Aliens Act.  
vi See section 9(7)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
vii See section 9(8)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
viii See section 9(2)(ii) of the Aliens Act.  
ix See section 9(10) of the Aliens Act.  
x See section 9(11)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
xi See section 9(11)(ii) of the Aliens Act.  
xii See section 9(12)(i-vi) of the Aliens Act. Pursuant to section 9(13) of the Aliens Act, the conditions specified in subsection (12)(i-vi) are deemed to have been fulfilled if the person living in Denmark has been granted a permanent residence permit under section 11(3) or under section 11(12) and (13) or (16). If the person living in Denmark is an old-age pensioner or has been granted early- retirement pension, the conditions stipulated in subsection (12)(vi) are deemed to have been fulfilled, see section 9(14)(i) of the Aliens Act. If a person over the age of 18 living in Denmark has obtained a permanent residence permit on the basis of strong ties with Denmark, the conditions stipulated in subsection (12)(vi) are deemed to have been fulfilled under conditions similar to the conditions under which a person living in Denmark would be able to obtain a permanent residence permit under section 11(13), see section 9(14)(ii) of the Aliens Act.  
xiii See section 9(12)(i) of the Aliens Act.  
xiv See section 9(12)(ii) of the Aliens Act.  
xv See section 9(12)(iii) of the Aliens Act.  
xvi See section 9(12)(iv) of the Aliens Act.  
xvii See section 9(12)(v) of the Aliens Act.  
xviii See section 9(12)(vi) of the Aliens Act.  
xix See section 9(30) of the Aliens Act.  
xx See section 9(9) of the Aliens Act.

**Section 11 b in the Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage:**

“In cases where one of the parties is not a Danish national, is not a national of one of the other Nordic countries or does not hold a residence permit under sections 7-9 f or sections 9 i-9 n of the Aliens Act, and where the other party is a Danish national or a national of such other Nordic country or hold such residence permit, no marriage shall be contracted until each party has declared that he is familiar with the provisions of section 9(1)(i), subsections (2-14) and subsection (30). This does not apply, however, if the person living in Denmark is either an EU/EEA citizen holding a residence permit under Section 6, see section 2(4), or is a Swiss citizen holding a residence permit under section 6(2)(v) of the Aliens Act.”

*This declaration has been issued by the Danish Ministry of Immigration and Integration and is effective from 1st of December 2017.*