

MARRIAGE REGISTRATION & TIE CARD APPLICATION

Procedure / stages

The process for a non-European citizen to travel to Spain and obtain permanent residency based on marital status with a Spaniard is a 3 phased process.

1. Registration of marriage at the Spanish Civil Registry.

If married in Spain, the marriage should have already been registered at the Civil Registry of the place where the marriage took place. If married outside Spain, the marriage will be registered at the Central Civil Registry. If this was not carried out, it should be done through the Spanish Consulate where the applicant resides before applying for a visa for a family member of a EU citizen.

2. Visa application

The applicant must then apply for a visa as a family member of an EU citizen.

3. TIE card application

Once in Spain, the first step is to register at the same address as the spouse and apply for the residence permit as a family member of an EU citizen at the Immigration Office in the province where the residence is intended.

To obtain the Community Card, the Spanish spouse must be in one of the following situations:

- i. Be self-employed.
- ii. Work as an employee.
- iii. Be a student enrolled to study in Spain and have sufficient financial means.
- iv. Have own financial resources and private medical insurance.

Once Spanish residency by marriage has been granted, you must go to the corresponding police station to obtain the corresponding card (fingerprinting).

After four weeks, the physical card can be collected. However, it is very important to note that spouses of Spanish citizens may work from the moment they apply for the permit at the immigration office. It is not necessary to wait for the physical card to be able to work.

Timeframe

Between 2 and 3 months

Costs

Our professional fees

£2,500 plus VAT

Disbursements

- £516 consular fees.
- Sworn Translation fees (normally around £50 plus VAT per 1 sheet document).
- Legalization fees (£36 per document)

Hourly rates and qualifications of the solicitors likely to be involved:

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| • Partner, Solicitor & Spanish Abogado | £350 |
| • Associate Spanish Abogado | £250 |
| • Paralegal / Trainee solicitor Spanish Abogado | £150 |

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