



BREAKING NEWS

VALID SOUTH AFRICAN MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES CAN NOW BE ISSUED FOR MUSLIM MARRIED COUPLES

REQUIREMENTS

- Nikah certificate
- ID card of husband and wife/ Affidavit
- Both wife and husband to be present
- When presenting one's nikah certificate (and relevant documents) at an assigned Department of Home Affairs desk (from October 2023): a valid South African marriage certificate will be issued. Since all past nikahs are now legally recognized, the individual whose spouse died has the right to obtain the South African marriage certificate.
- Al Jama-ah will be given Parliamentary Constituency space at four DHA offices; 2 in Cape Town, 1 in Durban, and 1 in Johannesburg to ensure that compliance is observed, and that the individual has a clear understanding of the process. Its appointed officers will be able to provide pro bono services and advice to the Muslim couples that seek assistance.
- Some of the benefits for women once they are issued with a valid South African marriage certificate, include access to a platform for the protection of their rights in Muslim Marriages.
- Women will have legal status and access to various structures from Maintenance to Divorce and Inheritance as well as a chance to legally challenge issues within a marriage.



PLEASE NOTE
Surviving spouses can also be assisted. Entry on death certificates can be changed from "Never Married" to "Married" to restore family's dignity.

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