

DETAILS

Austria - Competent Authority (Art. 6)

Designated Competent Authority(ies):

1. The Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs with regard to all documents issued by:
 - a) the Federal President or the Office of the Federal President,
 - b) the President of the National Council, the President of the Federal Council or the Parliamentary Administrative Office,
 - c) the federal government,
 - d) a federal ministry,
 - e) the Constitutional Court or the Administrative Court,
 - f) the Supreme Court, the Supreme Cartel Court at the Supreme Court, the Supreme Restoration Commission at the Supreme Court, the Supreme Restitution Commission at the Supreme Court or
 - g) the Court of Audit.

As of 1 November 2014, Austrian Embassies and Consulates (except for Honorary -General- Consulates) will be empowered to issue Apostilles for the following documents:

- birth certificates
- marriage certificates
- death certificates
- proof of citizenship (Staatsbürgerschaftsnachweis)
- certificate of exit from the State (Bestätigung über das Ausscheiden aus dem Staatsverband)
- criminal records

These documents are retrieved and transmitted in electronic form from the Austrian civil register, containing civil documents and citizenship documents as well as the criminal records register. The Apostille will be affixed in label form on the document itself or on an inseparably connected second page.

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2. The presidents of civil courts of first instance, or their designated representatives for the issue of certificates (apostilles), with the exception of the Commercial Court in Vienna and the Juvenile Court in Vienna, with regard to all documents issued in the region served by the court in question by:

- a) a court other than those referred to in point 1 (e) and (f),
- b) a public prosecutor's office,
- c) a notary,
- d) a chamber of notaries or a bar association, in so far as the chamber or association in question did so in the execution of official federal duties.

3. With regard to all other documents,

- a) provincial governors, for documents issued in their province in the execution of official federal duties,
- b) provincial governments, for documents issued in their province in the execution of official federal duties.

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Languages of communication:	German, English

Complete list and contact details of the Regional Courts (*Landesgerichte*) and Land Governments (*Landesregierungen*)

Practical Information:

Price:	The fees at the regional courts (judicial and notarial documents): € 13,70. Fees at the Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs: € 17,50.
E-Register:	https://www.signatur.rtr.at/en/elsi/Pruefung

Useful Links:	Vorgangsweise zur Einholung einer Beglaubigung für ausländische Urkunden: Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs (<i>in German only</i>): www.bmeia.gv.at/aussenministerium/buergerservice/beglaubigungen.html http://fabsits.heimat.eu/ (<i>in German only</i>) Federal Act of 31 May 1967 on the issuance of the Apostille according to the Hague Convention (Federal Law Gazette Nr. 28/1968)
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Conventions (incl. Protocols and Principles)

- Convention of 5 October 1961 Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents [12]