## NULLA OSTA FOR MARRIAGE

WE ARE PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT, AS OF  $\underline{12/01/2022}$ , REFUGEES RECOGNISED IN ITALY UNDER THE 1951 GENEVA CONVENTION WILL BE ABLE TO MARRY WITHOUT THE NULLA OSTA OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR).

As of 12 January 2022, following the Circular no. 1 of the Department for Internal and Territorial Affairs of the Ministry of Interior, refugees recognized in Italy in accordance with the Geneva Convention of 28 July 1951, may request the banns of matrimony to the Civil State Officer of the Municipality where they have the residence, or where they need to get married, with a self-declaration affidavit ex DPR no. 445/2000 (dichiarazione sostitutiva), validated by the Civil State Officer, stating that they are free to marry/have not been married. The self-declaration can be made by filling in the form available at the Municipality.

The Nulla Osta for marriage that was previously issued by UNHCR will no longer be necessary to get married. UNHCR will therefore stop issuing the Nulla Osta on 1 April 2022.



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