## Persons Who Are Eligible For Marriage Exemption Certificate For Expatriate Nationals With Jamaican Spouse

Procedure for the Issue of Marriage Exemption Certification for Foreign Nationals with Jamaican Spouse

A processing fee of **Fifteen thousand Dollars (J\$ 15,000.00)**, at any branch of the National Commercial Bank submitted on attendance. The vouchers can be obtained at the Work Permit Department or any Regional / Parish Office Island wide.

Both husband and wife must attend at the Ministry of Labour, 1F North Street, Kingston with the following documents:

- 1. Birth certificate or certification of Jamaican spouse. (Both original and certified copy of original.
- 2. Marriage Certificate (Both original and certified copy of original).
- 3. Passports of both husband and wife
- 4. Affidavit signed by both husband and wife stating that they share a common matrimonial home in Jamaica. This must be certified by a Justice of the Peace.
- 5. Two certified passport size photographs of the Non-Jamaican spouse.
- 6. One certified passport size photograph of Jamaican Spouse.
- 7. Original and a certified copy of Decree Absolute if either or both the husband and wife have previously been divorced.
- 8. Original and copy of death certificate if either party has died.

Expatriate males are issued an Exemption Certificate which is valid over a three (3) years period.

Expatriate females are issued a letter of Exemption which is unrestricted.

Marriage should exceed ONE MONTH before attending the Ministry for processing

Processing and delivery is done the same day attended.

The Certificate along with the passport of the Non-Jamaican is to be taken to the Immigration Authorities for the passport to be endorsed.

## FOR RENEWAL

Both parties must attend at the Ministry at least one (1) month before the expiry date and should take along the following documents.

- 1) Exemption Certificate previously issued.
- 2) Both passports
- 3) Declaration duly signed by both parties and certified by a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public

The Certificate along with the passport of the Non-Jamaican is to be taken to the Immigration Authorities for the passport to be endorsed.

PROCESSING AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENT IS DONE THE SAME DAY ATTENDED AT WORK PERMIT DEPARMENT