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What is a marginal entry on a civil registration document?

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The marginal entry is written information indicated on a civil registration document to amend or supplement it.

In the event of a change of family status, a statement shall be made in the margin of [birth certificate \(https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1427?lang=en\)](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1427?lang=en) and/or [marriage certificate \(https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1432?lang=en\)](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1432?lang=en) in particular in the following cases:

Situations involving a marginal entry on a civil registration document

Situation	Act containing the entry	Accuracy
<u>Recognition</u> of a child	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
Wedding	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
Divorce, separation of the body	Marriage certificate Birth certificate	A statement entered at the request of the lawyer or person interested in the civil registration service of the marriage. Upon presentation of a copy of the court decision or certificate of deposit issued by the notary or of the divorce agreement (or legal separation)
Packets: conclusion, amendment, dissolution	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
<u>Rename</u> and family name change	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
<u>Gender change</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birth certificate • If you are married: marriage and birth certificate of your spouse with his or her agreement • If you are logged in: birth certificate of your Pacs partner • If you have children: birth certificate of minor children with the agreement of the other parent / birth certificate of adult children with their agreement 	<p>Entries automatically entered by the civil registry</p> <p>In the marriage certificate and the birth certificate of the spouse, mention of the change of first name, not of the change of sex</p>
Death	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
<u>acquisition</u> of French nationality	Birth certificate	Entries automatically entered by the civil registry
Decisions entered in <i>Civil Directory</i> :: change of matrimonial regime, guardianship, etc.	Birth certificate	Act with marginal mention <i>RC</i> and a number. To find out what it refers to, it is possible to request a copy of the extract kept in the civil register.

Statute and miscellaneous references

- **Civil Code: Articles 28 and 28(1)** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006150514&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006150514&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721>)
Nationality
- **Civil Code: Articles 60 to 61-4** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006420953&idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006149971&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006420953&idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006149971&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721>)
First and last name
- **Civil Code: Articles 62 and 62-1** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI0000020123563&idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006150517&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI0000020123563&idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006150517&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721>)
Child recognition
- **Civil Code: Rule 76** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006421199&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006421199&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721>)
Wedding
- **Civil Code: Rule 79** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI0000024025785&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI0000024025785&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070721>)
Death
- **Code of Civil Procedure: rule 1082** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006411899&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006411899&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716>)
Divorce
- **Civil Code: sections 515-1 to 515-7-1** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000006136536/) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000006136536/>)
Pacs
- **Code of Civil Procedure: Articles 1057 to 1061** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006135943&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006135943&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716>)
Civil Directory
- **Circular of 26 August 2020 summarizing the information forms in the margins of civil registration documents (PDF - 624.5 KB)** [↗](http://www.justice.gouv.fr/bo/2020/20200831/JUSC2021489C.pdf) (<http://www.justice.gouv.fr/bo/2020/20200831/JUSC2021489C.pdf>)
Persons requesting marginal mention
- **Code of Civil Procedure: Articles 1055-5 to 1055-9** [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA0000034322762&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA0000034322762&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070716>)
Gender change

Online services and forms

- **Request for a copy of an extract kept in the civil register** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/R44842?lang=en>)
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