

“Since the 1st of June 2009, date of implementation of a new regulation on long-stay visa valid as residence permits’ issue, consular authorities only issue **exceptionally** long stay visa for foreigners wishing to marry and settle in France with a French citizen.”

From now on, the process to follow is:

- submit a short stay **“marriage without settling”** visa application
- after the wedding celebration in France, the foreign spouse of the French national should regain China and apply for a **“French citizen spouse”** long stay visa application

For further information regarding this specific category of visa, please contact the France Visa Application Center call center at (021) 33303600