Register Office. Online catalogue

The Contemporary Municipal Archive of Barcelona conserves the books of the Municipal Register Office from 1841 to 1880 and the indexes of the Barcelona Register Office from 1881 to 1985.

These documents have different characteristics and conditions for their consultation:

- 1. Up until 1870, Barcelona City Council was responsible for the Register Office: index books and books for registering entries. These documents can now only be consulted online.
- 2. As from 1881, this function was the responsibility of the state, through the Barcelona Register Office, with municipal councils only producing index books.
 - a. Documents from 1881 to 1960 can be consulted online.
 To obtain a certificate of an entry, a request must be made to the Barcelona Register Office (Plaça de Medinaceli, 3).*
 - b. For conservation purposes, books from 1961 through to recent times conserved at the Archive can only be consulted by specialist staff at the Archive. To obtain information contained in them, a written request must be made indicating the exact dates, and the Archive will provide the result of the search in writing. Complete entries from the register can be obtained by making a written request to the Barcelona Register Office and providing the data obtained from the CMAB.

Bear in mind that the registration books held at the Contemporary Municipal Archive of Barcelona **only correspond to the city of Barcelona** and not the province of the same name, and that changes made to the **municipal area over the years** must also be taken into account.

Online consultation with the Register Office

The civil register held at the Register Office has been digitised to preserve the original documents and facilitate access to them.

Periods:

1. Births:

From 1841 to 1880 (indexes and registration books) From 1881 to 1960 (indexes)

2. Deaths:

From 1836 to 1880 (indexes and registration books) From 1881 to 1960 (indexes)

3. Marriages:

From 1845 to 1880 (indexes and registration books) From 1881 to 1960 (indexes)

^{*} The Barcelona Register Office (Plaça de Medinaceli, 3) holds digitised books from the year 1950, but it is essential to know the exact date.

How to make the consultation?

- 1. Go to online consultations
 - 1.1 Access is available from the Contemporary Archive page.
 - 1.2 You can also access it via: http://catalegarxiumunicipal.bcn.cat/.





2. Select advanced search



3. Fill in the fields:

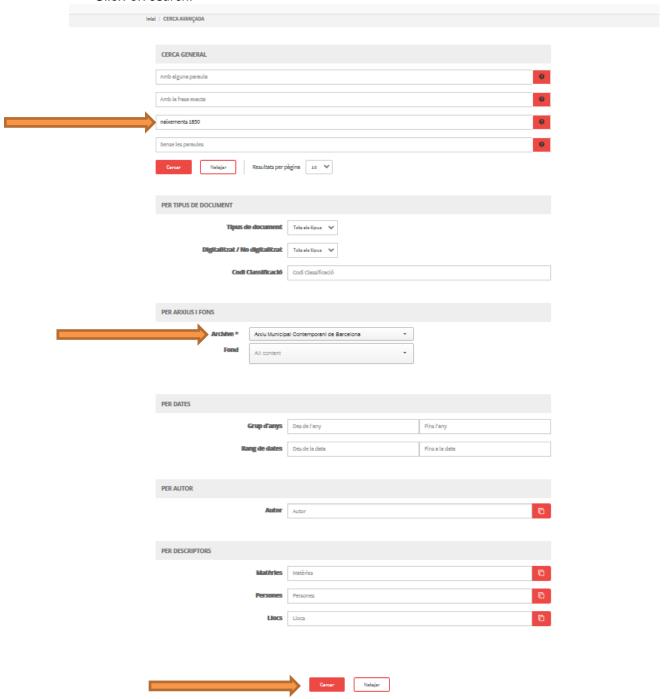
General search in *All words*: type one of the three options: **births**, **deaths** or **marriages**, and add the **year**.

Examples: Births 1850

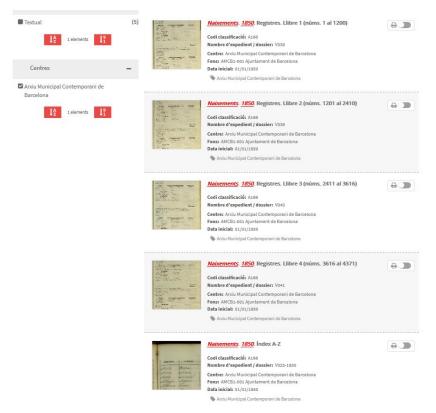
Deaths 1862 Marriages 1879

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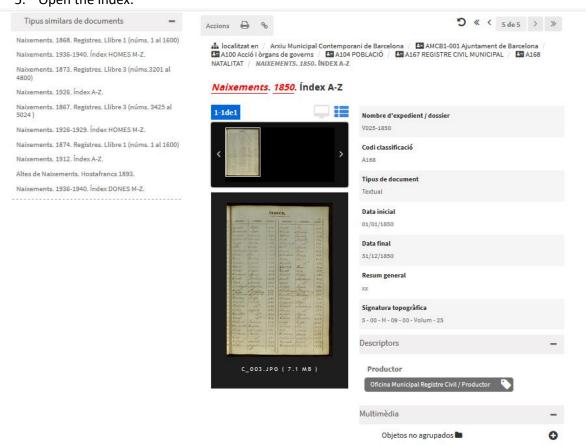
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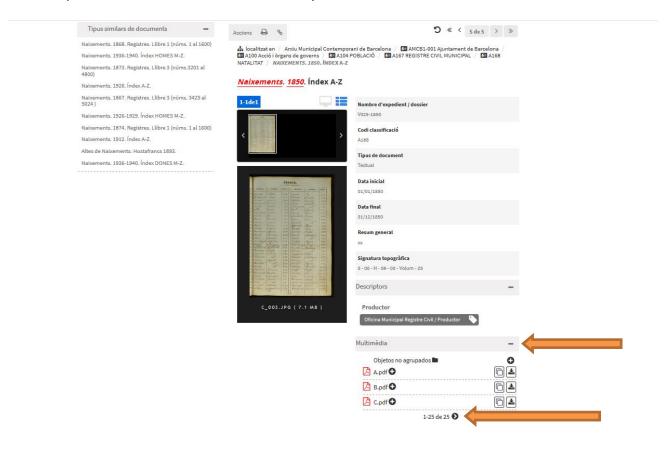
4. The result will be an index of one or more registration books.



5. Open the index.



6. Open the multimedia and select the letter you need.

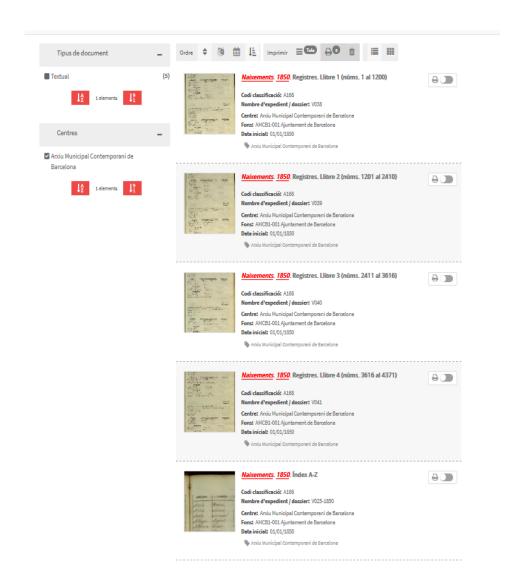


- 7. There are two types of consultation: "Download" and "View" the PDF
- 8. Search for the surname. Check all the data: sheet number, or register and book you are in. A word of warning! Sometimes you will not see which book you are in. Turn the pages to go forwards or backwards.

Example: Jové Pedro. 2nd book 1850. Sheet 1220.



9. To consult the registration book:
Use the browser arrow to go back to the list and select the registration book you need.



10. Open the multimedia and consult the PDF you need. Open the multimedia

