

PARTNER AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIP VISA PACKAGES



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As an alternative to the 20 minute consultation, we offer an initial appointment for up to 2 hours for a fixed fee of \$440 (inc GST).

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We recognize the importance of a family relationship and how hard it can be to live apart when you are an eligible off-shore applicant. Rest assured, we do our best in presenting your case as quickly and as practical as possible.

Our costs are transparent and tailored to suit your needs. We are flexible in our approach and our friendly team is happy to assist you with your enquiry.

SUBCLASS 820 BASIC ELIGIBILITY

This visa is meant for a married or de facto partner of an Australian citizen, or an Australian permanent resident, or an eligible New Zealand citizen to enter and remain in Australia.

The visa once approved will be granted for an initial two (2) years and if after two (2) years the relationship is deemed genuine, a permanent visa will be granted to the applicant.

There are several eligibility requirements that the applicant should meet. For instance, for married applicants, the partner and his/her spouse must be committed to a shared life together to the exclusion of others. Further, the marriage must be valid under Australian law. As for de facto applicants, it is important to note that their de facto relationship must have existed for at least 12 months immediately before they apply for the visa. The common question that is posed is this--- Will the time spent dating each other or chatting online count as being in a de facto relationship and the answer is that, it may not.

Further requirements for both married and de facto partners include: having a sponsor who applies for the visa when the application is lodged and while on this visa. The sponsor must be acceptable to the Australian Department for Home Affairs and must be the same

person who would sponsor your visa after two (2) years from the date of first granted visa.

Age wise, all applicants must be 18 or older when they apply. In addition, the partner must meet Australia's health and character requirements and further the applicants including family members who don't apply the visa with the applicant to pay their debt to the Australian Government.

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SUBCLASS 309 BASIC ELIGIBILITY

This visa is meant for a married or de facto partner of an Australian citizen, or an Australian permanent resident, or an eligible New Zealand citizen to enter and remain in Australia.

The visa once approved will be granted for most applicants to stay in Australia for a period of fifteen (15) to twenty-four (24) months until the Department for Home Affairs decide on applicant's permanent visa (subclass 100) or until such time the application is withdrawn. In some circumstances, including where an applicant has been in a long term relationship before he/she applied for this visa, the Department for Home Affairs may not have the applicant stay on this subclass 309 and instead grant him/her the permanent visa immediately after the grant of temporary 309 subclass.

There are several eligibility requirements that the applicant should meet. For instance, for married applicants, the partner and his/her spouse must be committed to a shared life together to the exclusion of others. Further, the marriage must be valid under Australian law. As for de facto applicants, it is important to note that their de facto relationship must have existed for at least 12 months immediately before they apply for the visa. The common question that is posed is this--- Will the time spent dating each other or chatting online count as being in a de facto relationship and the answer is that, it may not.

Further requirements for both married and de facto partners include: having a sponsor who applies for the visa when the application is lodged and while on this visa. The sponsor must be acceptable to the Australian Department for Home Affairs and must be the same person who would sponsor your visa after two (2) years from the date of first granted visa.

Age wise, all applicants must be 18 or older when they apply. In addition, the partner must meet Australia's health and character requirements and further the applicants including family members who don't apply the visa with the applicant to pay their debt to the Australian Government.

SUBCLASS 461 BASIC ELIGIBILITY

This visa is meant for a person who is not a New Zealand citizen but is a member of a family unit of a New Zealand citizen. For instance, the main applicant's spouse or de facto partner, or the main applicant's child, or their partner's child, who is not engaged, married or in a de facto relationship and is aged under 18 years.

If at the time of lodging the application, the applicant is onshore he/she needs to have a substantive visa. If he/she does not hold a substantive visa, he/she will need to show that this was beyond his/her control. If the applicant is offshore, he/she is able to apply for the subclass 461 without needing to hold another type of visa first.

Applicants for this visa must meet character and health requirements among others. With this visa once approved, the applicant can live, work and study in Australia for five (5) years from the date of grant of visa, travel to and from Australia as many times as they like while the visa is valid, and include members of their family unit in their application. This visa can be re-applied if the applicant wishes to stay longer in Australia.



SUBCLASS 300 BASIC ELIGIBILITY

This visa is temporary and if granted allows the prospective applicant to come to Australia and marry his/her spouse. The visa once approved is valid for 9 months during which the applicant must marry his/her prospective spouse in Australia and before the visa is expired. However, the marriage can take place in Australia or any other country. The marriage must

be valid under Australia law. The applicant of this visa must meet both character and health requirements as well. An important thing to note is that if you are a New Zealand passport holder and your intention is to apply under subclass 300, you must notify the immigration officer at the border as New Zealand citizens can be granted a Special Category visa subclass 444. If subclass 444 visa is issued at the border then as a New Zealand citizen your Prospective Marriage visa will cease.

PRICES MEANT TO BE AFFORDABLE:

With a fixed fee of **\$3,900 (inc. GST) per application** (excluding outgoings and DHA costs) you will be entitled to:

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- Preliminary assessment of your case including examining your documents
- Providing advice in relation to the partner or family relationship visa applications
- Preparing and lodging an application on your behalf with the Department of Home Affairs
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