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Immigrant Visas

Applicants who want to move to the United States permanently need to apply for an Immigrant Visa.

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If you require more information please see below:

[Fiancé\(e\) \(K\) Visas](#)

Fiancé(e) Visas are included in this section because even though they are technically nonimmigrant visas, they are processed by the immigrant visa unit. This visa is for an applicant who is a fiancé(e) of a U.S. citizen, an applicant who is engaged or contracted to be married. The marriage must be legally possible according to laws of the state in the United States where the marriage will take place.

The American citizen who wants to bring a foreign fiancé(e) to travel to the U S to marry and live in the United States must file Form I-129F with the Department of Homeland Security's U.S. citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) office that serves the area where the U.S. citizen lives. This petition cannot be filed at an embassy, consulate or U.S. immigration office abroad.

After the USCIS approves the petition, it sends the petition to National Visa Center for processing, prior to sending it to the embassy or consulate where the fiancé(e) will apply for a K-1 nonimmigrant visa for a fiancé(e). Children of K-1 applicants should apply for a K-2 visa.

After getting the fiancé(e) visa, the fiancé(e) of the U.S. citizen enters the United States through a U.S. Port of Entry. The U.S. immigration official gives the fiancé(e)

[Processing of Approved Fiancé\(e\) Petitions](#)

All fiancé(e) petitions must be filed in the U.S.

See link: http://travel.state.gov/visa/immigrants/types/types_2994.html

The processing of approved fiancé(e) petitions combine elements of both nonimmigrant and immigrant visa processing and are forwarded to Montreal for processing:

http://travel.state.gov/visa/forms/forms_1342.html.

The Consulate General will send an instruction letter (**Packet 3**) to the applicant, petitioner, or other designated representative requesting that the applicant prepare the appropriate forms, and checklist of documents, and return them to the Consulate General.

- DS-156 – 2 copies <https://evisaforms.state.gov/ds156.asp>
- DS-156K – 1 copy <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/82063.pdf>
- Form DS-160 – one copy, available online at <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/>
- Confirmation receipt regarding Form DS-160 – one copy, available online at <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/>
- **DS-230 part I and part II** – one copy per each applicant, including children
- **Checklist of documents** to gather for the interview – one copy per family is sufficient.

Once we have received the documents requested in Packet 3, the case is ready for scheduling. We will send the applicant or his/her designated representative another letter ("Packet 4") with instructions to contact CSC to schedule an interview appointment. Appointments are on first come, first served basis. All applicants must apply and be interviewed within one year of their initial appointment, or the petition will become invalid. Please see the following link for Packet 4:

***Return of your passport with visa and the immigration documents package:**

If your visa application is approved, we will put your visa in your passport and send the completed visa packet and passport to you by DHL courier at no extra charge. Prior to your appointment date, you must register an account on this Web site and follow the steps to select a DHL location to pick up your visa. Please do this for all applicants that will be applying for a visa (including children). **Please register your delivery location BEFORE going to your interview.** If you do not, there may be a delay in the return of your visa.

Forms and documents required per Instruction Letter (Pkt3):

<http://photos.state.gov/libraries/canada/303578/montreal/packet3-k1-mtl.pdf>

Forms and documents required for the interview (Pkt4):

<http://photos.state.gov/libraries/canada/303578/montreal/packet4-montreal.pdf>

U.S. Consulate in Montreal Website: <http://montreal.usconsulate.gov/visas/visas/fianc-k-1-visas.html>