

Answers to your most frequently asked questions about joining your spouse or fiancé(e) in the USA:

1. How long does it take to get an interview once the National Visa Center sends your documents to the embassy?

It depends on issues at the embassy like demand, staffing and local safety and security conditions; but the Department of State prioritizes fiancé or K visas and visas for immediate family members above all other immigrant visa categories.

2. Can my fiancé(e) or spouse apply for me to immigrate if I am not a U.S. citizen, but I have a green card? No, fiancé(e) visas are solely for U.S. citizens, but you can find more information about options for family members of Lawful Permanent Residents or Green Card Holders at <http://go.usa.gov/htuT>.

3. My wife had a baby after we submitted our application to the National Visa Center. What should we do?

Depending on the situation, when children are born abroad, the U.S. citizen parent may be able to transmit U.S. citizenship to his or her child. Read more at <http://go.usa.gov/htzF>.

4. Once I get the K visa, must I travel to the USA immediately, or will I have some time before I must depart my country?

The K visa holder must travel to the USA during the visa's validity. Typically, the visa is valid 6 months, but that could be different in some cases.

5. Can I visit my spouse or fiancé(e) in the USA while my immigrant visa application is pending?

Yes, anyone may apply for a non-immigrant visa to visit the USA on a temporary basis. In these cases, the applicant should demonstrate to the consul that s/he does not intend to stay in the USA and will return home to await processing of the immigrant visa after the visit.