



## Partner Visa Evidence Checklist

### IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS



Certified copies of Sponsor & all Applicants':

- Passports
- Birth certificates

Certified proof of Sponsor's Australian citizenship (if not Australian by birth) or immigration status if a permanent resident (assuming they are not precluded from being a sponsor/or having a sponsorship approved):

- Australian citizenship certificate
- Permanent visa grant

Certified evidence of any person in this application who has been known by other names:

- Birth Certificate
- Adoption orders
- Marriage certificate
- Official Name Change documentation

- Four (4) passport sized photographs for each Applicant & Sponsor

**IMMIGRATION HISTORY** – For all parties to be included in this Application who have ever sponsored another person, or been sponsored for Australian Immigration.



Sponsorship documentation containing the full name and date of birth of the sponsoring person (in any previous application as well as the current one)

Details as to the nature of the previous sponsorship such as:

- Visa grant notices
- Visa refusal notices
- Date(s) of application and grant/refusal

Any documentation relating to any Applicant under this application, containing their full name and date of birth

Details as to the nature of the Applicants' visa history such as:

- Visa grant notices
- Visa refusal notices
- Date(s) of application and grant/refusal

## RELATIONSHIP EVIDENCE



If either the Sponsor or the Primary Applicant have been previously (or currently) married or in a de-facto partner relationship with a third party:

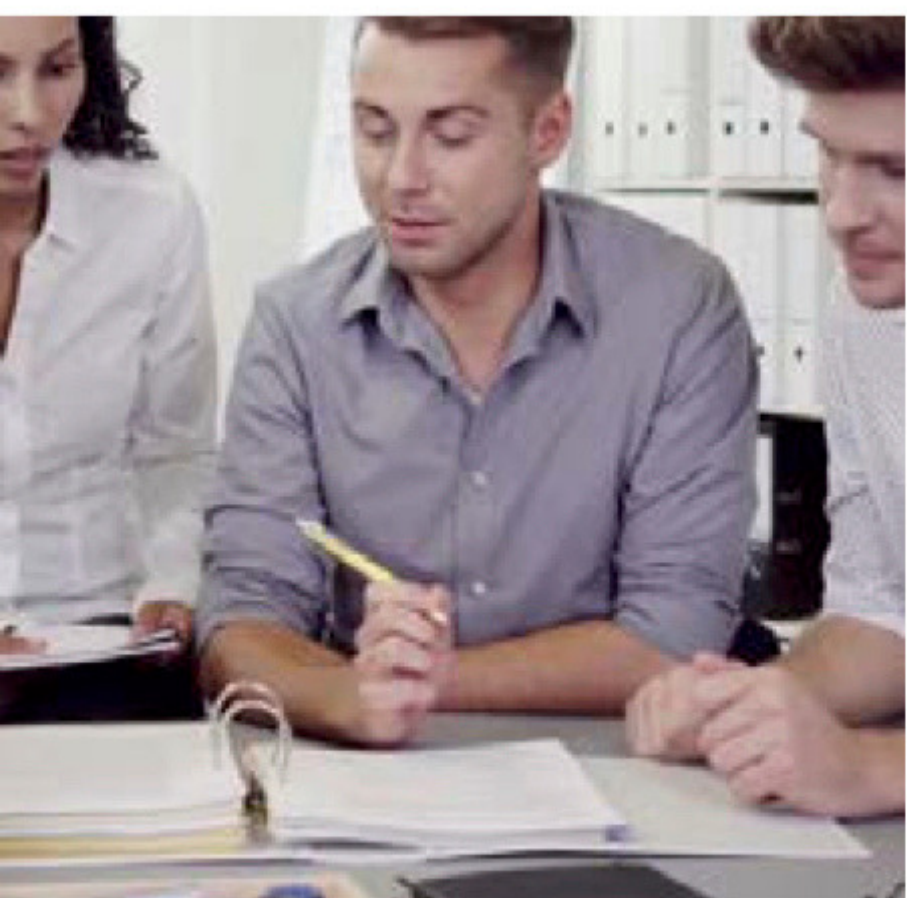
- Certified copies of documents such as, any annulment documents, separation agreements, certificates of divorce and/or death certificates of any previous spouse(s)/de-facto partner(s)

- A joint statement signed by both the Sponsor and the Primary Applicant detailing the exact history of your relationship (this is a key part of your application so make it detailed)

Evidence to support the proposition that you are in a relationship together including:

- Certified copies of your State based registered relationship certificate (if applicable)
- Evidence of any significant events - engagement/commitment and/or wedding rings, photographs, receipts and valuation statements
- Evidence as to the extent of your household or living arrangements
- Evidence as to the extent of your financial intermingling
- Evidence as to the social aspects of your relationship
- Evidence of any arrangements/plans that you made for your wedding, if applicable
- Evidence of your future together
- Communication evidence – Text messages, Skype call logs, emails

## FRIENDS & FAMILY DOCUMENTS



Detailed information of all applicant's immediate families including:

- Any biological and/or step parents, and any adopted, half or step siblings
- Their full names, dates of birth, marital status (date of marriage (if applicable)) and location (including those who are deceased)

Third party statements to support your relationship:

- Identifying as many friends and family members (from both sides of your relationship) as you can for this, and ask them to complete Form 888s

## OTHER SUPPORTING EVIDENCE



Evidence of any debts owing to the Australian Government:

- Statement of money owed including payment arrangement details – if you have an issue in that regard, it is sensible to obtain legal advice

Medical evidence for any immediate family members whether included in this application or not, who might have any health concerns, need to be identified in your application. If this is an area of concern please seek legal advice

Penal clearance certificates for each country, including Australia, where you have resided for more than twelve months in the past ten (10) years - don't do this until you are almost ready to lodge as they expire and if you have a character issues you need to seek legal advice.

Certified and officially translated versions of any documents outlined above, if the originals are in a language other than English

## ANY DOCUMENTATION THAT SUPPORTS YOUR RELATIONSHIP; SUCH AS:



Travel receipts and itineraries for joint holidays

Gifts receipts

Documents with both the Sponsor and main Applicant as addressees

Lease agreements

Utility bills in both names or single names at same address

Photographs together and with family & friends – clearly marked with dates & details

Joint and individual bank accounts with entries marked of mutual spending

Invitations to events attended jointly

## FURTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

**Sponsor:** Suitable Person with Australian Citizenship or Australian Permanent Residency who is sponsoring another to obtain an Australian Visa

It is essential for any sponsor to establish whether there is anything in their immigration or personal history which might preclude them from becoming an approved sponsor, including character as well as whether the person has sponsored someone from overseas previously. If a sponsorship limitation or exclusion affects you, it is sensible to obtain legal advice.

**Primary Applicant:** The person who is in a partner or de-facto relationship with the Sponsor

**Other Applicants:** Children of the Primary Applicant who meet the secondary criteria for this application

In gathering the evidence, try and think about putting together all and any evidence that you can find in order to demonstrate that you are in a relationship which is *'genuine and continuing'* and that you have a mutual commitment to a shared life together to the exclusion of all others.

The above list is by no means exhaustive and is by no means fully representative of all evidence a particular situation might require.

Remember to complete the correct Department of Home Affairs Application Form relevant to your situation and that is fully correct and that it is also consistent with what you may have informed the Department previously.

Your evidence / supporting documentation must always be true and accurate. It is considered fraud if it is not so and you may be prosecuted.

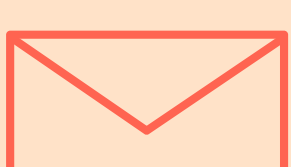
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- Then Provide easy instructions on how to lodge your application



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