



Hi There ☺

So you've decided to look into migrating to Australia. That's fantastic news as the Team at 888 Migration Services can help you through every step of the visa application process.

At 888 we distinguish ourselves from the majority of agents who often provide an indifferent, high cost service because in the past we also needed visas of our own and had a very poor experience with our agents back then.

That's why we started 888 and we know what makes great service!

- Flexible friendly service
- Rapid response policy – we won't keep you guessing as to what's going on
- Price friendly
- Lots of **very** happy clients
- Being qualified in Migration law
- Experience, Experience, Experience !!

We are quite separate from the Department of Immigration and can offer you independent unbiased advice designed to optimise your circumstances and present a strong case.

We also have access to Immigration Policy Advice Manuals, which your assessing DIBP officer will be using to consider your case. Understanding how Immigration Policy is interpreted is essential to building a strong case for you.

We hope you enjoy this informative print out. If you have any queries or would like to get in contact with our Team, please follow the link on our website & we will be in contact with you shortly, alternatively Just call any of our friendly team on 08 9316 8899 or email at admin@888migrationservices.com.au

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Julie Guest'.

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PARTNER VISA INFORMATION PACK

Thankyou for downloading this Partner Visa Pack, below we will describe each visa in the Partner Visa category and some of the considerations that the Department of Immigration will review. We hope you find the information of use.

If you have any further questions we can advise you on your own situation in a relaxed discussion session, either in person at our offices or by phone or SKYPE to suit your own needs.

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Types of Visa available to you as a Partner or Spouse

This category includes several visa types

- ✓ Prospective marriage (Visa Subclass 300)
- ✓ Partner/spouse offshore (Visa Subclasses 309/100)
- ✓ Partner/spouse onshore (Visa Subclasses 820/801)
- ✓ Provisions for applicants who are victims of domestic violence by their sponsor
- ✓ New Zealand citizen family relationship (Visa Subclass 461)



As with many visa types, Partner Visas are subject to a very high level of scrutiny by the Department of Immigration (DIBP), in this case it is to ensure the relationship is genuine and not an 'arrangement'.

In January 2015, the DIBP raised their fees by 50% making this category one of the most costly in Government charges signalling a tightening of policy and increased focus on new applications.

Of all customers who lodge their own application and come to us with a rejection from DIBP, we find Partner Visas to be the most common variety.

The Department of Immigration require significant levels of documentation to support your application which must be presented in a clear and unambiguous way to prove by way of evidence that you and your partner are in a genuine relationship.

We have successfully managed the applications for hundreds of partner visa submissions and helped customers attain their Australian Visa.

Let 888' take the stress off you...

What our customers say !

"Thank you so much Julie and Justene for all of the help and assistance that you provided to Amelia and I when we applied for our Fiancé Visa and Partner Visa. Both Amelia and I believe that there is not another immigration service here in Perth that could provide such professionalism with honesty, trust and empathy to their clients, as yours. We would like to recommend to anyone who is thinking of enlisting the help of an Immigration agency, not to go past 888migrationservices."

Thank you!

Zane and Amelia Hunt. Prospective marriage and Partner Visa subclass 300 and 820

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Prospective Marriage – Temporary – Subclass 300:



The prospective marriage visa is for people who want to come to Australia to marry their Australian fiancé. It is a temporary visa & is only valid for nine months but you may later apply to transition to a permanent resident visa by using the subclass 820 visa. You can have your wedding anywhere in the world; it doesn't necessarily have to occur in Australia. You must be outside Australia when you lodge your application & also when the visa is granted.

At the time of applying for this visa you must:

- Be aged over 18 years
- Be of the opposite sex
- Have met your intended spouse in person since you both turned 18 years of age & know each other personally (this includes if you have an arranged marriage, met as children or met online)
- You both must be free to marry
- Genuinely intend to marry your intended spouse
- Genuinely intend to live with your intended spouse as husband & wife
- Meet health & character requirements

Once you have been granted your visa, you have to ensure that you arrive in Australia before you marry your fiancé and marriage must take place within 9 months of your visa being granted.

Partner – Temporary, Subclass 820 & Partner – Provisional, Subclass 309:

This visa allows the spouse or de facto partner of an Australian citizen, permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen to live in Australia. The subclass 820 is an onshore application & the subclass 309 is an offshore application & you can apply for either of these visas as a de-facto or married couple.

'Partner' means your spouse or de facto partner (including same-sex partners). To apply in this category you need to be able to prove your commitment to each other over a specified period of time.



There are significant document requirements that you will have to provide in order to prove you are in a monogamous genuine & continuing relationship with your spouse/fiancé and you may experience strong scrutiny from DIBP.

We are very experienced in presenting the requisite evidence and understand exactly what sort of evidence will influence the DIBP assessing officer in your favour.

Got questions ??? Call our friendly team on 08 9316 8899

Married Couples:

- You must be legally married to your partner – **Please note:** Not all overseas marriages are recognised by the Australian government, you will need to check this prior to applying for the application or risk the application being rejected
- Clearly show that you & your partner have a mutual commitment to a shared life as husband & wife to the exclusion of all others
- Show that you have a genuine & continuing relationship with your partner
- Show that you & your partner are living together on a permanent basis or, if not, that any separation is only temporary
- Meet health & character requirements



De-facto Couples:

- You need to be able to prove that you have resided together at the same residential address for 365 consecutive days immediately prior to the application
- Clearly show that you & your partner have a mutual commitment to a shared life to the exclusion of all others
- Show that you have a genuine & continuing relationship with your partner
- Show that you & your partner are living together on a permanent basis or, if not, that any separation is only temporary
- Meet health & character requirements

Permanent Partner Visas – Subclasses 801 & 100:

Once you have resided with your spouse in Australia for two years, it is time for you to apply for your permanent residence. Depending on whether you applied onshore or offshore you will apply for either subclass 801 or subclass 100. The Department of Immigration & Border Protection will contact you or your migration agent (if you used one for the previous application) when the time comes to apply for your visa application.

You will need to provide clear evidence that you & your partner have resided together for the last two years & still share a mutual commitment to a shared life to the exclusion of all others.

Victims of Domestic Abuse

For those who have been subjected to domestic violence which has been perpetrated by their Australian Partner there are provisions which may entitle you to stay in Australia legally.

If you are in this situation, you should seek help immediately & report your sponsor to DIBP. As migration agents, we can help you with this process and help you through a very challenging time.

New Zealand Citizen Family Relationship – Subclass 461:

This visa allows a non-New Zealand family member of a New Zealand citizen to live and work in Australia for up to five years as long as their New Zealand citizen spouse resides in Australia with them. You can be onshore or offshore at the time of lodging your visa application.

Other than the forms, this visa requires all the same evidence as a subclass 820 or subclass 309 visa application. You have to be able to prove:

- **Married:** You must be legally married to your partner – **Please note:** Not all offshore marriages are recognised by the Australian government, you will need to check this prior to applying for the application or risk the application being rejected
 - **De-facto:** You need to be able to prove that you have resided together at the same residential address for 365 consecutive days immediately prior to the application
 - Clearly show that you & your partner have a mutual commitment to a shared life to the exclusion of all others
 - Show that you have a genuine & continuing relationship with your partner
 - Show that you & your partner are living together on a permanent basis or, if not, that any separation is only temporary
 - Meet health & character requirements
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We hope you found this overview information of use in considering your own situation.

Give us a call and we will be happy to meet with you and discuss your particular relationship, we will be able to help you avoid the pitfalls which could ruin your chances of visa success.

We look forward to your call..

The 888' Team...

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A green rectangular stamp with the word "APPROVED" in bold, uppercase letters at the top. Below it, the words "VISA" and "APPLICATION" are stacked vertically in a larger, bold, uppercase font, all slanted to the right.

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