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# Marriage Green Card Document Checklist

Everything you need to know before filing your U.S. marriage-based Green Card application.



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# INTRODUCTION

**A Marriage-Based Green Card allows the spouse of a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident to live and work permanently in the U.S.**

**But the key to approval?**

 **Submitting a complete, well-organized, and authentic documentation set.**

**This checklist will help you prepare all the essential documents for a smooth application process.**





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## STEP 1: PROOF OF A LEGAL MARRIAGE

To prove your marriage is legally valid, include:

- 1 Certified Marriage Certificate (translated if not in English).
- 2 Divorce decree(s) or death certificate(s) from previous marriages (if any).
- 3 Name change records (if applicable).



**Tip: Ensure your marriage certificate includes official signatures and registration details.**





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## STEP 2: PROOF OF A GENUINE RELATIONSHIP

**USCIS looks for proof that your marriage is real, not just for immigration purposes.**

**Include:**

- 1 Wedding & couple photographs.**
- 2 Joint lease, mortgage, or utility bills.**
- 3 Joint bank account statements.**
- 4 Insurance policies showing spouse as beneficiary.**
- 5 Travel itineraries, messages, or shared memberships.**



**The more genuine your evidence, the stronger your case.**





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## STEP 3: IDENTITY & CIVIL DOCUMENTS

Each spouse must submit:

- 1 Passport (biographic page).**
- 2 Birth certificate.**
- 3 Government-issued ID.**
- 4 Two passport-style photos (per applicant).**
- 5 Police clearance (if required by country of residence).**



**Tip: Ensure all copies are clear and unexpired.**





## STEP 4: FINANCIAL SUPPORT DOCUMENTS

The U.S. citizen or Green Card holder must prove financial ability to support their spouse using Form I-864 (Affidavit of Support).

- 1 Last 3 years of tax returns (Form 1040).**
- 2 W-2s or pay stubs.**
- 3 Employment verification letter.**
- 4 Bank statements showing financial stability.**



**Joint sponsors can help if income is insufficient.**





## STEP 5: IMMIGRATION FORMS CHECKLIST

Essential USCIS forms for a marriage-based Green Card include:

- **Form I-130: Petition for Alien Relative**
- **Form I-130A: Supplemental Information**
- **Form I-485: Adjustment of Status (if spouse is in the U.S.)**
- **Form I-864: Affidavit of Support**
- **Form I-693: Medical Examination Report**
- **Form I-765: Work Authorization (optional)**
- **Form I-131: Advance Parole (optional)**



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## STEP 6: INTERVIEW PREPARATION DOCUMENTS

For the Green Card interview, bring:

- Original passports & IDs
- Interview appointment notice
- Marriage certificate (original)
- Updated relationship evidence (recent photos, joint bills, etc.)
- Copies of submitted USCIS forms



Transparency and legal consultation are crucial before reapplying.





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## STEP 7: ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Optional but helpful documents include:

- Social media posts or correspondence showing genuine relationship
- Evidence of financial interdependence
- Children's birth certificates (if applicable)



Be honest, confident, and concise. | Officers value authenticity.





## BONUS: 214(B) DENIAL EXPLAINED

**Section 214(b) means:**

 **You failed to convince the officer that you are a genuine temporary visitor."**

**It is not a permanent ban. You can reapply after addressing the officer's concerns with stronger documents and a refined case strategy.**





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# HOW T.P.L. GLOBAL CAN HELP

**At T.P.L. Global, we make your marriage Green Card journey stress-free:**

- 1 Eligibility screening & personalized consultation.**
- 2 Document organization & accuracy checks.**
- 3 Form filing & submission**
- 4 Interview preparation and guidance.**

**Your dream of living together in the U.S. begins with the right preparation.**



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