

Fiance(e) K-1 Adjustment of Status Process

1. Fiance(e) arrives to US with K1 visa

- Your fiance(e) arrives with a valid K1 visa
- K2 Children can arrive with or after parent

2. Get Married

- Get married within 90 days of arrival.
- Marriage Certificate**
 - Religious Ceremony? at City Clerk's office? wherever you get married, allow enough time for processing of the certificate.

Average time: 90 days

3. File Adjustment of Status (I-485)

- Prepare documents to file the AOS.**
 - Gather and prepare all required documents for the I-485 to Adjust Status.
- Submit Application + forms to USCIS**
 - Apply together for any K2 children
 - include fees (each applicant)
 - Sign up for "Case Status" updates online (USCIS.gov)

Average time: before 90 day limit

4. Biometrics Appointment

- Biometrics appointment**
 - Receive I-797C (NOA). Tells you which ASC office to report to for capturing Fingerprint, photos, and signature.
- Bring required documents**
 - Bring Appointment Letter + identification
 - follow instructions if anything else is required

Average time: 4 – 6 Weeks

5. Employment Authorization Document / Advance Parole

- Receive Employment Authorization Document (EAD) and Advance Parole (I-131) if applied.
- This allows your spouse to**
 - now legally work (with EAD)
 - travel outside the US. (with AP)

Average time: 2 Months

6. Interview

- Receive notice for AOS interview (I-797C NOA)**
 - Where to go for interview
 - Possible waiver (no interview, in this case GC comes in mail!)*
- Attend Interview**
 - Prepare all requested documents (mostly what you submitted filing I-485)
 - proof of bona-fide marriage
 - Both of you attend interview

Average time: 6 Months

7. Permanent Residency

- Get conditional 2-year Green card (I-551)
- Spouse can**
 - work, live in US.
 - Travel outside US.

Average time: 2 Months

Total time up to this point: 10 Months (Average)

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