



NEW ZEALAND
IMMIGRATION

Partnership-based Temporary Visa

Course overview

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- Health and safety site requirements



Overview of visas based on partnership

Go to <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas>

1. Click **Apply for a visa**.
2. Select **Tools and information for meeting criteria**
3. Select **Support family**
4. Click **Partnership** (and explore)
5. Click **Work visa holder supporting family** (and explore)
6. Click **Student visa holder supporting visas for family** (and explore)

What is a partnership?

A partnership is defined as two people who are living together in a genuine and stable relationship within ([E4.1.15](#), [E.1.20](#)):

- A legal marriage
- A civil union
- A de facto relationship



Must have intention to maintain relationship on long-term and exclusive basis and with likelihood that it will endure.

Requirements for partnership visa

- They are living together with their partner in a genuine and stable partnership (see [E4.5.25](#) and [E4.5.30](#)); and
- they comply with the minimum requirements for recognition of partnerships (see [E4.5.15](#) and [F2.15](#)); and
- their partner supports the application; and
- their partner meets the character requirements for partners supporting 'partnership-based temporary entry applications' set out at [E7.45](#); and
- their partner must be an eligible supporting partner.

Partnership: temporary entry visa

- Visitor Visa: Partners of worker/student visa holders ([V3.10](#))
- Visitor Visa: Partners of NZ citizens or residence class visa holders ([V3.15](#))
- Visitor Visa: Entry to NZ for purpose of a cultural arranged marriage ([V3.35](#))
- Work Visa: Partners of holders of student visas ([WF4](#))
- Work Visa: Partners of NZ citizens or residence class visa holders ([WF2](#))
- Work Visa: Partners of holders of work visas ([WF3](#))

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Activity

List the work visa types that do not allow a person to apply on the basis of partnership

Comparing visa types

Go to <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas>

1. Click **Already have a visa**
2. Click **Bring a family member or partner to NZ**
3. Click **Explore visa options to have family join you**
4. Select **Partner** from the drop-down
5. Select **A work or study visa** from the drop-down
6. Select **any country**
7. Click **Display options**
8. Select **up to 3 visa types at a time to compare details**
9. Select **View**

Activity:

Use the *Explore the options* tool to gather information to complete table on next slide

Visa Type	Criteria	Length of stay and activities	Further comments
Partner of a Worker Visitor Visa			
Partner of a Student Visitor Visa			
Partner of a Student Work Visa			
Partner of a Worker Work Visa			
Other			

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Assessing an application

Once you have received an application :

1. Check all the documents are present as per the Global Process Manual
2. Use the visa assessment tool, and the
3. Operations Manual

Open the following through the INZkit or from your favourites:

- **Global Process Manual** – From **Processing applications** click on **View**
- **Visa Assessment Tool (VAT)** – From **Verifying and assessing**, scroll down and click **Dependant / Partner / Partnership Visa Assessment Tool**
- **Operations Manual** - click **Temporary entry class visas**

Unconscious bias

40-year age gap but love is true:
Man, 24, convinces
Immigration NZ marriage to
woman, 61, isn't a sham

12 Oct, 2015 5:00am

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Common partnership risks

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Identity, health and character

Questions:

- What information has 9(2)(a) provided in relation to identity?
- What information has 9(2)(a) provided in relation to character?
- What information has 9(2)(a) provided in relation to health?
- Is there any information missing?

Assessing the supporting partner

Questions:

- What evidence has 9(2)(a) provided to show her status as a NZ citizen or resident?
- Do you have any concerns in relation to her character or eligibility to support her partner?

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Partnership evidence – Fourfold test

Credible

Must be credible in statements made and evidence presented, both together and separately.

Living together

Must be living together unless reasons for periods of separation are genuine and compelling eg:

- family, education, employment commitments
- partnership duration and length of time apart
- efforts to be together during time apart.

Genuine

Their reasons for entering a partnership and intentions to maintain a long term partnership exclusive to others must be found to be genuine.

Stable

They must demonstrate that the partnership is likely to endure.

The onus is on the applicant and partner to prove they are living together in a genuine and stable relationship.

Partnership evidence – genuine and stable

Questions:

- Are you satisfied that 9(2)(a) are in a genuine and stable relationship?
- What are the reasons for your answer?

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Partnership evidence – living together

Questions:

- Are you satisfied that 9(2)(a) are living together?
- What period of time does the evidence cover?

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Partnership evidence - credible

Questions:

- Are you satisfied the relationship is credible?
- Are there any inconsistencies in the information provided?
- What are the reasons for your answers?

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Partnership requirements

Question:

- Are you satisfied that the partnership meets the requirements for recognition of partnership (E4.5.15 / [F2.15](#))?

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Risk assessment

Questions:

- Do you need to take any actions to mitigate risk?
- If so, what actions would you take?

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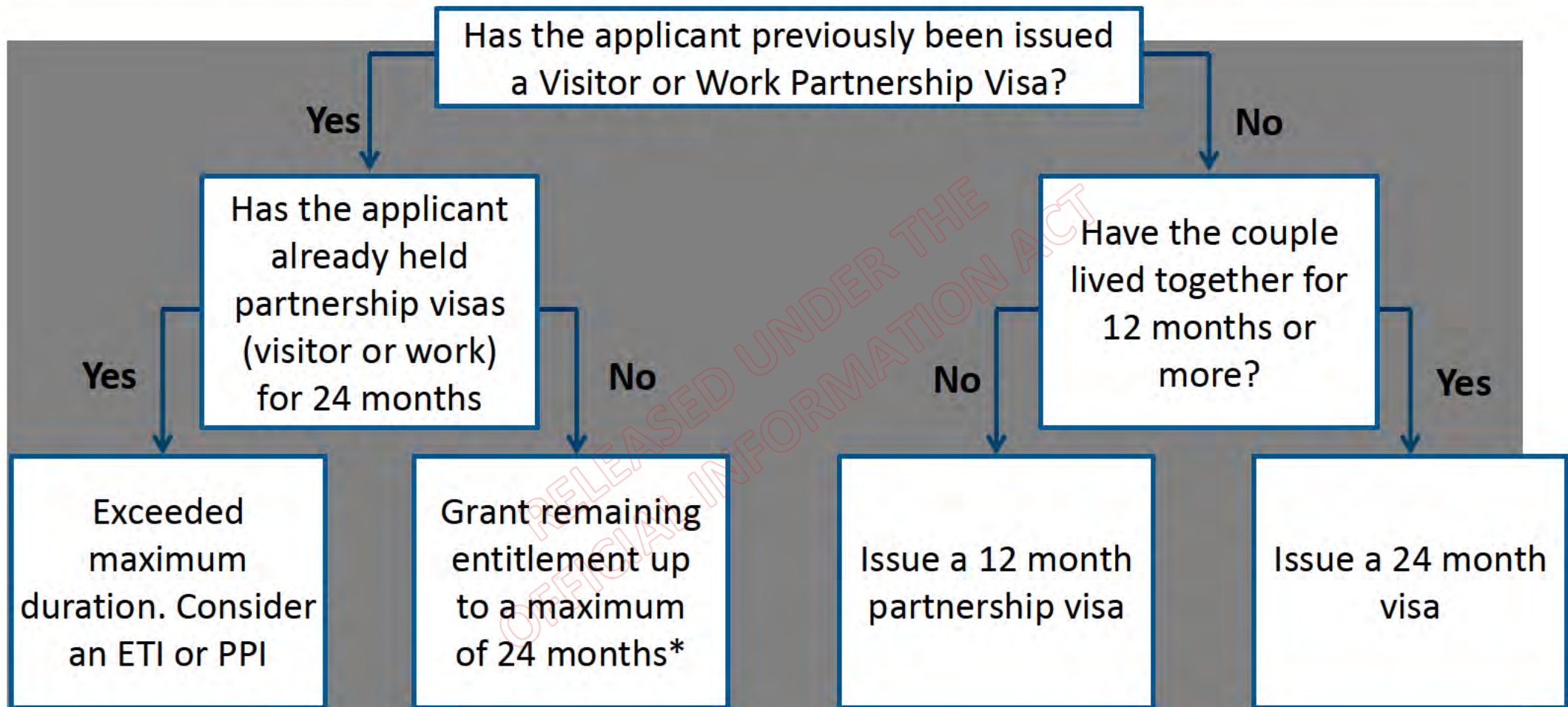
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Questions:

- Does 9(2)(a) show a genuine intent to stay in New Zealand for a lawful purpose?
- What are the reasons for your answer?

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Duration of visa Partners of NZ citizen / resident



* As from date of first partnership visa granted onshore or date of arrival in New Zealand on a partnership visa if it was granted off-shore.

Determining an application

Questions:

- Have all the requirements for the Partnership-Based Temporary Visa been met?
- If so, what duration would you grant the visa for?
- If not, list the requirements and the reasons why they have not been met?

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Assessing the supporting partner

Questions:

- What visa does 9(2)(a) hold?
- Is 9(2)(a) eligible to support the application?
- What are the reasons for your decision?

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Partnership evidence – genuine and stable

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Partnership requirements

Question:

- Are you satisfied that the partnership meets the minimum requirements for recognition of partnership?

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Determining an application

Questions:

- Have all the requirements for the Partnership-Based Temporary Visa been met?
- If not, what would you do next?
- If you were to grant a visa, what duration would you grant it for?

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PPI activity

Questions:

- What instructions have not yet been met and what are the reasons for your concerns?
- What further information do you want the applicant or their partner to provide?

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Partnership requirements

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Risk assessment

Questions:

- List the risks that you have identified
- How did you identify these risks?
- What verification steps would you take?

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Determining an application

Questions:

- Have all the requirements for the Partnership-Based Temporary Visa been met?
- If not:
 - list the requirements that have not been met and the reasons why
 - write a sentence about what you would do next.