

# Spouse Visa (F-6-1) Requirements

[Embassy of the Republic of Korea in the Republic of the Philippines updated July 9, 2026]

| 1. Basic Requirements                                                                                                                             |                                           |                                                     |                                                                                             |                          |
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| No                                                                                                                                                | Document Type                             | Remarks                                             | Place of Issuance                                                                           | Checklist                |
| 1-1                                                                                                                                               | Visa Application Form                     |                                                     | Embassy or Hikorea Web site                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-2                                                                                                                                               | 1 pc. Passport size photo                 | Attached at the visa application form               |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-3                                                                                                                                               | Original passport of the applicant        | Validity must be at least 6 months                  |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-4                                                                                                                                               | 1 Copy of the passport of the applicant   | Photocopy of the bio-page                           |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-5                                                                                                                                               | Visa application fee                      | PHP 2,000                                           |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Forms to be filled up (It is the most important part of the requirements. Please fill up specific as required by the Embassy, without any blanks) |                                           |                                                     |                                                                                             |                          |
| 1-6                                                                                                                                               | Invitation letter                         | Must be filled up by the Korean spouse in Hangul    | Embassy or Hikorea Web site                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-7                                                                                                                                               | Guarantee letter                          |                                                     |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-8                                                                                                                                               | Personal details form                     | Must be filled up by the foreign spouse in English  |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Basic documents to be prepared by the Korean spouse                                                                                               |                                           |                                                     |                                                                                             |                          |
| 1-9                                                                                                                                               | 1 Copy of Korean spouse's passport        | Photocopy of the bio-page                           |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-10                                                                                                                                              | Basic certificate (detailed)              | 1 copy each in Korean, issued within 3 months       | Community Service Center in Korea or <a href="http://www.minwon.go.kr">www.minwon.go.kr</a> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-11                                                                                                                                              | Marriage history certificate (detailed)   |                                                     |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-12                                                                                                                                              | Family relations certificate (detailed)   |                                                     |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-13                                                                                                                                              | Korean resident registration certificate  |                                                     |                                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-14                                                                                                                                              | Certificate for marriage guidance program | No need to submit for those exempted (Refer to #1)  | Immigration office in Korea                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-15                                                                                                                                              | Original Medical Certificate              | Refer to #2                                         | Hospital/ Public health center                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Basic documents to be prepared by the foreign spouse                                                                                              |                                           |                                                     |                                                                                             |                          |
| 1-16                                                                                                                                              | Original PSA Birth Certificate            |                                                     | PSA (Philippine Statistics Authority)                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-17                                                                                                                                              | Original PSA Marriage Certificate         | Refer to #3                                         | PSA (Philippine Statistics Authority)                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-18                                                                                                                                              | Original Police Record (NBI)              | NBI Clearance Issued within 3 months                | NBI (National Bureau of Investigation)                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-19                                                                                                                                              | Original Medical Certificate              | Refer to #4                                         | Hospital                                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1-20                                                                                                                                              | Original Tuberculosis (TB) Certificate    | Refer to #5 (See attached template/form at website) | Designated Hospital                                                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> |

## \* #1 (Exempted from certificate for marriage guidance program)

① If the couple can prove that they were in a relationship while the Korean spouse was 1) staying in the Philippines for more than 6 months or 2) staying in a 3rd country continuously with long-term visa (such as student visa or working visa). ② If the couple can prove that they were in a relationship while the foreign stayed legally in Korea for at least 91 days with long-term visas specified in [Attachment 1-2] of 「Enforcement Decree of Immigration Act」. ③ If there is a humanitarian reason such as pregnancy or childbirth.

\* #2 (For medical certificate of Korean spouse) should be issued within 6 month from the application date with medical certificate format for application of public officials(including mental disorder) with additional STD and AIDS test result by a hospital, public health center, or physical examination institution designated by Article 3 of 「Regulations on Physical Examination of Public Officials」 in Korea. Submission is waived if the Korean spouse is exempted from certificate for marriage guidance program.

\* #3 (For Original PSA marriage certificate) Effective June 11, 2024, Original PSA is no longer a requirement. However, it may still be required along with the other supporting documents to check on the authenticity of the personal details or bigamy status.

\* #4 (For medical certificate of foreign spouse) should be issued within 6 month from the application date. should be typewritten/computerized with hospital name, hospital address, hospital contact number, and physician's signature. Other than the tests included in the sample for medical certificate, tuberculosis(TB) result should be included.

## \* #5 (For Tuberculosis Exam)

If the medical certificate includes tuberculosis(TB) results, additional examination of TB is waived. But, if the results cannot be fully verified, additional examination of Tuberculosis (TB) from the designated hospital will be requested

## 2. Income requirement documents of Korean spouse

- ※ Precaution : There is no need to prepare all of the following requirements (but, “commonly required” documents are mandatory), and the inviter may prepare documents selectively according to how he/she will satisfy the income requirement.  
 ※ Submission is waived for those exempted. (Refer to #1)

| No.  | Classification                               | Document type                                | Remarks                                                                                                                        | Checklist                |
|------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2-1  | Commonly Required                            | Original certificate of income               | Issued from National Tax Service Hometax Web site or Tax Service Civil Office, issued within 3 months                          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-2  |                                              | 1 Copy of certificate of credit history      | Issued from Korea Credit Information Services Web site, issued within 3 months                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-3  | If income is from employment                 | Certificate of earned income tax withholding | Issued from place of current or past employment                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-4  |                                              | Certificate of employment                    |                                                                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-5  |                                              | Photocopy of business registration           |                                                                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-6  |                                              | Documents to prove income (optional)         | Documents to prove income in case income requirement cannot be satisfied by the above documents                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-7  | If income is from business (refer to #2, #3) | Business registration                        | Except for those engaged in agriculture, forestry and fisheries                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-8  |                                              | Documents to prove income (optional)         | Documents to prove income in case income requirement cannot be satisfied by the amount indicated in the certificate of income  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-9  | If using other type of income                | Documents to prove income                    | (Example) Income from house rental : land/real estate register, contract of lease. Income from bank interest : bank statements | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-10 | If using assets                              | Savings, insurance, stocks, bonds            | At least 1 Million Korean Won and balance maintained for at least 6 months                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2-11 |                                              | Properties                                   | For properties, submit land/real estate register and land/real estate value certificate                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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|------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2-12 | If using income or assets of family | Statement on family's financial status | Fill up according to the format in the Embassy or Hikorea Web site (refer to #4)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|      |                                     | Documents to prove income              | Refer to list of requirements indicted above according to income from employment, business, others | <input type="checkbox"/> |

\* **#1 (Exempted from income requirement)** ① If there is a child born between the couple or if the wife is pregnant (20 weeks and above) with a child between the couple ② If the legally married couple has lived overseas together for at least 1 year from the date of visa application ③ If the foreign spouse has stayed in Korea with spouse(F-61) status in the past. (Not applicable if the Korean spouse is different, or if Korean spouse is the same but marriage was discontinued.) For those applicable for ① submit birth certificate of child, for those applicable for ②, submit documents to prove having lived together.

\* **#2 (Precautions for business income 1)** Business income is determined by the amount indicated at the certificate of income issued from the Tax Service. In case the actual income amount is more than the income indicated in the certificate of income, income may be under-reported. If income is under-reported, submit amended certificate of income after amending the reported income at the Tax Service. (Those with under-reported income may be reported to the Tax Service Office in charge)

\* **#3 (Precautions for business income 2)** Basically, income documents for the latest 1 year from the date of application must be submitted. However, income report is made on month of May of the preceding year. In view of this, if the income amount of the latest indicated year at the certificate of income satisfies the income requirement, given that the Korean spouse is sustaining the same business, the amount of income will be considered satisfied as an exception even if it is not the income amount of the latest 1 year. (However, investigation of the actual situation may be conducted depending on the case)

\* **#4 (Range of family members whose income may support the income requirement)** Only the immediate family members (parents, grandparents, children) of the Korean spouse, who are registered as one household in the Korean resident registry, and the invited marriage migrant, may support the income requirement. Immediate family members who are not registered as one household in the Korean resident registry may NOT support income requirement. Siblings may not support income requirement, since they are not immediate family members.

\* **(Reference) Income requirement for year 2026** : Inviter's total income(before tax) for the previous 1 year must be more than the amount indicated at the below table

| Classification                  | 2 member household | 3 member household | 4 member household | 5 member household | 6 member household | 7 member household |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Income requirement (Korean Won) | 25,195,752         | 32,154,216         | 38,968,428         | 45,340,314         | 51,335,712         | 57,090,900         |

\* Income requirement for at least 8 member household : additional 5,755,188 Korean Won per additional member

### 3. Proof of Korean language proficiency of the foreign spouse

※ Precaution : Please submit one of the documents below. If the applicant is not exempted from the proficiency exemption conditions, and is not able to submit any of the requirements stated below, the applicant must take the Korean language proficiency test at the Embassy. For those who will take the test at the Embassy, Korean language proficiency will be determined depending on the test result.

※ There is no need to submit below requirements if the applicant is exempted from the Korean language proficiency. (Refer to below #1)

※ If foreign spouse is not Filipino, please inquire at the embassy.

| No  | Classification      | Document type                                                                                                                                  | Remarks                                                                                                                                                                |
|-----|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-1 | Korean              | Certificate of completion from King Sejong Institute                                                                                           | —                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3-2 |                     | Certificate of Test of Proficiency in Korean (TOPIK)                                                                                           | TOPIK level 1 and above                                                                                                                                                |
| 3-3 |                     | Certificate of completion from other designated institution                                                                                    | There is no other designated institution in the Philippines                                                                                                            |
| 3-4 |                     | Copy of college/postgraduate degree diploma in Korean language                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 3-5 |                     | Proof that Filipino spouse has Korean ethnicity                                                                                                | Korean language proficiency test may be conducted if the Filipino spouse is not fluent in Korean                                                                       |
| 3-6 |                     | Proof that Filipino spouse has stayed in Korea for more than 1 year                                                                            | Entry/exit certificate or handwritten statement (no specific format)/ Korean language proficiency test may be conducted if the Filipino spouse is not fluent in Korean |
| 3-7 | English or Filipino | Proof that Korean spouse has stayed in a country for more than 1 year where English is the native or official language (including Philippines) | Entry/exit certificate or handwritten statement (no specific format)                                                                                                   |
| 3-8 |                     | Proof that Korean spouse is a previous citizen of a country where English is the native or official language (including Philippines)           |                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 3-9 | Other Language      | Proof that both Korean spouse and Filipino spouse have stayed in a country for more than 1 year with the same native or official language      | Entry/exit certificate or handwritten statement (no specific format)                                                                                                   |

\* **#1 (Exempted from proof of Korean language proficiency)** Submission of proof of Korean language proficiency is waived ① If there is a child born between the couple or if the wife is pregnant (20 weeks and above) with a child between the couple ② If the Korean spouse submits proof of acquiring required score\* of English proficiency test ③ If the Korean spouse has passed the English interview conducted at the Embassy ④ If the foreign spouse has stayed in Korea with spouse(F-61) status in the past. (Not applicable if the Korean spouse is different, or if Korean spouse is the same but marriage was discontinued.)

\* Required English proficiency test score for ② : TOEIC at least 785, TOEFL(IBT) at least 61, IELTS at least 5.0, OPIC at least IM2 level, TOEIC SPEAKING at least 140 (Only tests conducted within 2 years from the visa application date will be accepted. For test other than indicated, please inquire at the Embassy)

#### 4. Residential requirement document of the Korean spouse

※ Precaution : Address of the residential document submitted must be same with the address at the Korean resident register certificate(1-13).

| No  | Classification | Document type                    | Remarks | Check list               |
|-----|----------------|----------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| 4-1 | If owned       | Real estate register             |         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4-2 | If rent        | Real estate register             |         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4-3 |                | 1 Photocopy of contract of lease |         |                          |

- \* **#1 (Residential requirement)** Document submitted to satisfy residential requirement must be owned or rented by the Korean spouse, his/her immediate family members, or siblings. In case the house is owned or rented by a third person, residential requirement is NOT satisfied. However, if the reason is acceptable by social norms, such as company housing, residential requirement may be satisfied even if owned or rented by a third person.

#### 5. Proof of courtship

| No  | Classification                      | Document type                                                          | Remarks                                                                                                                                                 | Check list               |
|-----|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 5-1 | Commonly required                   | Documents to prove course of courtship and/or authenticity of marriage | Submit A4 paper format with maximum of 5 pages. Contents may be prepared freely, such as date pictures, family pictures, and SNS communication history. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5-2 | If introduced by relative or friend | Copy of any valid ID or passport                                       | Submit explanation letter if documents cannot be submitted (Exempted for those who meets conditions of #1)                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**[List of simplified requirements depending on the case]**

1. List of requirements if there is a child born between the couple or if the wife is pregnant (20 weeks and above) with a child between the couple

| Classification                 | List of documents                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Basic requirements</b>      | Visa application form, Passport sized picture, Original passport of the applicant and 1 photocopy of bio-page, Visa application fee                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                                | Invitation letter, Guarantee letter, Personal details form                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                                | (Korean spouse) 1 Photocopy of passport, 1 copy of basic certificate(detailed), 1 copy of marriage history certificate (detailed), 1 copy of family relations certificate(detailed), 1 copy of Korean resident register certificate, Child's copy of family relations certificate(detailed), basic certificate(detailed) |
|                                | (Foreign spouse) PSA birth certificate, 1 copy of medical certificate for tuberculosis (for applicable nationalities only), PSA birth certificate of child (if applicable)                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Residential requirement</b> | If owned : Real estate register<br>If rent : Real estate register, 1 photocopy of contract of lease                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Proof of courtship</b>      | Commonly required document (5-1, 5-2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

- In cases where a Marriage Migrant (F-6-1) seeks qualification based on the birth of a child, DNA testing may be required to verify the biological relationship.

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| <b>Applicable Cases</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•When the foreign spouse has previously received a departure order/ Order to leave.</li> <li>•When a foreign spouse has history of being denied a Marriage Migrant Visa (F-6-1) within the past year.</li> <li>•When the age difference between the spouses is 20 years or more.</li> <li>•When the couple has lived together for less than 3 months as of the visa application date.</li> <li>※However, excluded if the Korean spouse visited foreign spouse for at least 5 times before pregnancy and before visa application. or if the married couple lived together for 30 days or more (including cases where the foreign spouse visited Korea)</li> <li>•When a child born before marriage has not acquired Korean citizenship.</li> <li>•Other cases where the head of the affiliated organization determines that verification is necessary.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Method</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Request DNA testing through National Police Agency.</li> <li>•Submit DNA test results issued by a KOLAS accredited testing institution that is reported to the minister of health and welfare under Article 49-2, and recognized as a KOLAS accredited testing institution.</li> <li>•A testing organization officially recognized under the laws of the country and designated embassy.</li> </ul> <p>⇒ Choose one above the 3 methods.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

- If Marriage Immigrant qualification review is required due to pregnancy (after 20 weeks) Submit the "Marriage Immigrant (F-6) Visa Issuance Requirements Review Form (Designated Form)

2. List of requirements for those exempted from Korean Marriage Guidance Program (such as pregnancy)

| Classification                              | List of documents                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Basic requirements</b>                   | Visa application form, Passport sized picture, Original passport of the applicant and 1 photocopy of bio-page, Visa application fee                                                                                                |
|                                             | Invitation letter, Guarantee letter, Personal details form                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                                             | (Korean spouse) 1 Photocopy of passport, 1 copy of basic certificate(detailed), 1 copy of marriage history certificate(detailed), 1 copy of family relations certificate(detailed), 1 copy of Korean resident register certificate |
|                                             | (Foreign spouse) PSA birth certificate, 1 copy of medical certificate for tuberculosis (for applicable nationalities only)                                                                                                         |
| <b>Income requirement</b>                   | Refer to above 2. Income requirement documents                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Proof of Korean language proficiency</b> | Refer to above 3. Proof of Korean language proficiency                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Residential requirement</b>              | If owned : Real estate register<br>If rent : Real estate register, 1 photocopy of contract of lease                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Proof of courtship</b>                   | Commonly required document (5-1, 5-2)                                                                                                                                                                                              |

3. If the Foreign spouse has stayed(long or short) in Korea with spouse(F-61) status in the past

| Classification                 | List of documents                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <b>Basic requirements</b>      | Visa application form, Passport sized picture, Original passport of the applicant and 1 photocopy of bio-page, Visa application fee                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                                | Invitation letter, Guarantee letter                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                                | (Korean spouse) 1 Photocopy of passport, 1 copy of basic certificate(detailed), 1 copy of marriage history certificate(detailed), 1 copy of family relations certificate (detailed), 1 copy of Korean resident register certificate, Child's copy of family relations certificate(detailed), basic certificate(detailed) |
|                                | (Foreign spouse) PSA birth certificate, 1 copy of medical certificate for tuberculosis (for applicable nationalities only)                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Residential requirement</b> | If owned : Real estate register<br>If rent : Real estate register, 1 photocopy of contract of lease                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Proof of courtship</b>      | Commonly required document (5-1, 5-2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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※ In case of pregnancy, exemption from submission of tuberculosis medical certificates when submitting pregnancy medical certificate and ultrasound examination results.  
\*Tuberculosis Exam is still required for child of Korean (F-2-2 visa application) However, TB is waived if child is under the age of 5 (만 5세 이하)  
※ Original PSA Marriage Certificate: is no longer a requirement. However, it may still be required along with the other supporting documents to check on the authenticity of the personal details or bigamy status.

#### [Precautions]

1. Above list of requirements is created on Feb. 16, 2026. Visa requirements may change without prior notice according to the changes on visa screening criteria. Therefore, **please check the Embassy web site for any changes on the requirements before applying for visa.**

2. Please prepare the requirements according to the list since submission may be denied if the requirements are incomplete. Please arrange and submit the requirements according to the number sequence above for prompt visa application processing. Above list of requirements is the list of essential documents to be submitted. Additional documents may be requested during the visa application or screening process if deemed required.

3. Visa applicant(foreign spouse) must submit the visa application **documents in person at the Korea Visa Application Center. Application via mail or through representative will NOT be accepted.**

※ Korea Visa Application Center Address : 9F~10F, Brittany Hotel BGC, 6 McKinley Pkwy, BGC, Taguig, Metro Manila  
Website : <https://www.visaforkorea-mn.com> Contact Number : **+63-2-8248-5440**

4. **Visa processing takes 15 working days.** However, processing may be extended due to duration of document verification, request for additional documents, interview, investigation, and others. Therefore, if flight tickets are bought in advance according to the release date, disadvantages such as cancellation of flight ticket may be experienced when delay in visa processing occurs.

5. Please be reminded that **Filipinos who are issued spouse visa cannot depart immediately since they are required to undergo CFO Guidance and Counselling Program before departure.** Spouse visa holders may purchase one-way trip ticket.

6. **If incorrect information is written on the forms or fake documents are submitted, visa application will be denied, and the applicant may be banned from entering Korea for 5 years. If the said is found out after the foreign spouse has already entered Korea, the foreign spouse may be subject for forced departure. Also, the couple may be punished by imprisonment for not more than three years or a fine not exceeding 20 Million Won according to the Article 7-2 and Article 94 of Immigration Control Act of South Korea.**

7. All documents do NOT require translation or authentication. In case there is a need for translation or authentication, applicant will be notified individually. Therefore, there is no need for any document to be translated or authenticated before visa application.

8. If your marriage is first reported in the Philippines, please check if the date of marriage in the Korean marriage history certificate is identical with the date of marriage in the PSA marriage certificate. Please be cautious because there are cases that due to Philippine administrative problems, date of marriage indicated does not match with the dates when the Korean spouse was present in the Philippines.

9. For inquiries, please send email to the Visa section of the Embassy at [ph\\_visa@mofa.go.kr](mailto:ph_visa@mofa.go.kr) or call +63-2-8856-9210 (local 124).