

Sample Relationship Timeline — Illustrative Only

Purpose of this timeline: to demonstrate that your relationship is legitimate, continuous, and ongoing for Immigration officials reviewing your Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) application.

- Every couple's circumstances are unique; you do not need to match every event or type of evidence shown here.
- Include whatever real documentation you do have (e.g., photos, travel stamps, chat logs, receipts).
- As long as your relationship is genuine and well-documented, you have nothing to worry about.

Date	Location	Key Events & Activities	Suggested Attachments
Apr 2018	Toronto, Canada	First meeting at a friend's café while wife was on a 1-year Working-Holiday visa. Began dating shortly afterwards.	Photo(s)
Jun – Dec 2018	Toronto & nearby	Regular dates (CN Tower, Niagara Falls), wife met applicant's parents at an August BBQ.	Photos, emails/messages
Jan 2019	Tokyo, Japan	Wife's WH-visa ended; returned to Japan. Couple committed to long-distance relationship.	Boarding pass, chat logs.
Apr 2019	Tokyo, Kyoto, Osaka	Applicant's 1st Japan trip (2 weeks). Met wife's parents in Chiba, travelled for cherry-blossom season.	Photos, hotel confirmations.
Aug 2019	Toronto	Wife's 3-week visit: Algonquin Park road-trip, applicant's sister's wedding.	Photo, camping permits, e-tickets.
Dec 2019 – Jan 2020	Tokyo	Applicant's 2nd Japan visit (Christmas/New Year).	Shrine visit photos, souvenir receipts.
May 2020	Hakone	Proposal at Lake Ashi during Golden Week; accepted.	Proposal pics, ring receipt.

Sample Relationship Timeline — Continued

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Jul 2020	Toronto	Wife arrived as Permanent Resident; joint downtown lease signed.	Lease copy, utility bill in both names.
Sept 21 2020	Toronto	Civil marriage registration at City Hall; luncheon with friends.	Marriage certificate, group photo.
Jan 2021	Chiba	Shintō wedding ceremony & reception (65 guests); applicant's parents attended.	Professional photos, invitation.
2021 – 2022	Toronto	Settled life: wife working at bakery; applicant software developer.	Employment letters, joint bank statements.
Mar 17 2023	Toronto	Birth of son, Haru (dual citizen; Japanese passport July 2022).	Birth certificate, hospital photo, passport copy.
Aug 2024	Tokyo & Chiba	5-week family visit; introduced baby to relatives, discussed future relocation.	Three-generation photo, itinerary, LINE chat.
Apr 2025	Toronto	Began formal relocation prep: applicant's company approved remote work (annual salary ¥11,200,000); family started gathering CoE documents.	