

K-1 Pending x ESTA Entry

CBP Anticipated Questions & Safe Answers (30 Questions – English)

This document provides strict, immigration-focused questions and short, factual answers for travelers entering the U.S. under ESTA while a K-1 visa is pending.

Q: Why are you entering the U.S. on ESTA now?

A: I am visiting my fiancé for a short holiday period.

Q: What are your specific plans during this visit?

A: Holiday activities, family events, and local sightseeing.

Q: Why are you staying at your fiancé's home?

A: It is a short stay and reduces accommodation costs.

Q: Can you explain your one-week schedule?

A: Rest, holiday activities, family events, and return preparation.

Q: What do you mean by spending the holidays together?

A: Spending time with family and attending holiday gatherings.

Q: Why visit while your K-1 is pending?

A: This is a short visit while I wait for the official process.

Q: Do you plan to get married during this ESTA stay?

A: No. After my K-1 visa is approved.

Q: Do you plan to change your status while in the U.S.?

A: No.

Q: Do you have a return ticket?

A: Yes, it is already booked.

Q: What will you do after returning to Japan?

A: Continue my life and work in Japan.

Q: Will you work in the U.S.?

A: No.

Q: Will you work remotely?

A: No.

Q: Will you continue your Japanese job during this stay?

A: No, I am on vacation.

Q: Will you help your fiancé with work?

A: No.

Q: Will you receive any payment?

A: No.

Q: How did you meet your fiancé?

A: We met in [year] in [place].

Q: When did you last meet in person?

A: In [month/year].

Q: How often do you see each other?

A: Every few months.

Q: What language do you usually communicate in?

A: Mainly English.

Q: What does your fiancé do for a living?

A: He works as [occupation].

Q: Who paid for this trip?

A: I paid for it myself.

Q: How will you support yourself during this stay?

A: With my own funds.

Q: What is your income source in Japan?

A: My job or personal savings.

Q: Do you have a residence in Japan?

A: Yes.

Q: Is your employment in Japan ongoing?

A: Yes.

Q: Have you ever overstayed in the U.S.?

A: No.

Q: Have you ever been denied entry?

A: No.

Q: Have you committed any immigration violations?

A: No.

Q: Will you work immediately after marriage?

A: Only after receiving proper authorization.

Q: Is this trip part of a relocation plan?

A: No, this is a short visit.