****CAS Adoption Programs - Eligibility Comparison Chart

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| **Applicants with CAS must be believers in the basic Christian tenets** | **Domestic** | ***Philippines Regular (On Hold)*** | **Philippines Special Home Finding** |
| **Length of Marriage** | 2 years | *3 years* | 3 years |
| **Singles accepted?** | No | *No* | Single women for children who are older or have special needs |
| **Number of Divorces allowed** | 1 each | *2* | 2 |
| **Minimum age** | 25 | *27* | 27 |
| **Maximum age** | 45  (case by case) | *45* | Female Applicant: Not more than 45 years older than the child |
| **Minimum age difference be- tween parents and child** | 25 years | *16 years* | 16 years |
| **Age of children available** | Newborn | *Healthy children 0-6 years* | Healthy 7-15  Special needs 1-15  Sibling groups |
| **Number of children in your home** | 2 (more than 2, case by case) | *No more than 3* | No limit, however child spacing and 2 year nurturance |
| **Must maintain birth order?** | Yes | *Yes* | Case by case |
| **Can families specify gender?** | Childless couples- no  Families with children-yes | *No* | Yes |
| **Can non-related children be adopted at the same time?** | No | *No* | No |
| **Minimum income** | Case by case | *$40,000 and meet 125% of US poverty guidelines for*  *number of people in the family* | $40,000 and meet 125% of US poverty guidelines for number of people in the family |
| **Psychological evaluation** | No | *Yes- MMPI-2-RF and*  *NEO-PI-R* | Yes- MMPI-2-RF and  NEO-PI-R |
| **BMI** | No requirement | *Under 35* | Under 35 |
| **Dossier for International** | N/A | ***Translated:*** *No*  ***Notarization:*** *Yes* ***Apostille:*** *No* | ***Translated:*** No  ***Notarization:*** Yes ***Apostille:*** No |
| **Travel Time** | Travel to admittance meeting, in-service training, & travel/possible overnight stay for placement | *1 trip, 7 days; Strongly preferred that both parents travel, some exceptions.* | 1 trip, 7 days; Strongly preferred that both parents travel, some exceptions. |
| **Guardianship/Finalized** | Finalized in NC or SC | *Guardianship/Finalized approximately 12-14 months after placement* | Guardianship/ Finalization approximately 12-14 months after placement |
| **Post Placement/Post Adoption Reports Required** | **Visits:** 2 weeks, 2 months  **Reports:** 3 reports over 6 months | *3 reports over 8 months* | 3 reports over 8 months |