

IMPORTANT NOTICE: VISA SERVICES

(From 1st March 2022)

In accordance with the border control measures taken by the Government of Japan on COVID-19, the following persons are eligible to apply for a visa for Japan.

In addition, please note that travel for tourism (sightseeing) purposes has not been resumed.

1. Eligible Cases

- Spouse or child of a Japanese national.
- Spouse or child of a permanent resident.
- Long-term residents (3 号, 4 号, 5 号, 6 号, 7 号 only).
- Those who are considered to be members of separated families (long term residents with a Certificate of Eligibility).
- Temporary visitors with “Certificate for Completion of Registration to the ERFS system (受付済証 (Uketsukezumishou))” for commercial or work purposes.

- Those who possess the Certificate of Eligibility with “Certificate for Completion of Registration to the ERFS system (受付済証 (Uketsukezumishou))” for long term purposes.
- Those who departed from Japan with a re-entry permit before August 31st, 2020 and were unable to re-enter Japan within the valid re-entry period.
- Those who have humanitarian reason. ([Please check here for details.](#))
- Those who apply for a Diplomatic Visa. (Please apply at Embassy)
- Those who apply for an Official Visa. (Please apply at Embassy)

※The Certificate for Completion of Registration to the ERFS system (受付済証 (Uketsukezumishou)) is issued when the person in charge of acceptance in Japan (company, school, organization, etc.) completes the prescribed procedures in [the Immigrant Health Confirmation System \(ERFS\)](#). Please consult the person

in charge of acceptance in Japan (company, school, organization, etc.) in advance.

For inquiries

050-1751-2158

050-1741-8558

(Office Hours: 9:00 to 21:00 – Japan Time)(Closed on weekends and holidays)

2. Application Procedure

Documents required for the application are mentioned on point 3. Please be sure to prepare all the necessary documents(ORIGINAL) before making an appointment from the VFS reservation site.

We do not accept any application without the necessary documents. Please be sure to prepare all the necessary documents before making an appointment at VFS. Please do not make any appointment before completing the required documents in advance. Otherwise, you may block up other applicants with properly prepared documents.

The appointment date will be released up to 10 working days (Japanese Embassy), but it might be difficult to access the VFS reservation site as it is currently being accessed by large number of applicants. Please keep accessing with time gap. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The website of VFS Global is as follows.

<https://www.vfsglobal.com/en/individuals/index.html>

Contact the VFS Global is as follows.

<https://visa.vfsglobal.com/npl/en/jpn/contact-us#>

【For those who had made reservations at the Embassy from 28th December, 2020 to 26th March, 2021】

Those who had made reservation from 28th December, 2020 to 26th March, 2021, were advised to wait for the resumption of visa services and contact from VFS Global. However, due to the new measures, the documents required for visa application may change, and it may take some time to prepare all additional documents for the applicants. Therefore, please make a

new reservation for visa application at VFS Global when you have all the necessary documents ready.

We appreciate your understanding.

【For those who had made reservations at VFS Global from 1st December, 2021 to 28th February, 2022】

• The rescheduled date is posted on the website of VFS Global. Please check [here](#) and come directly to VFS Global on the rescheduled date.

If it is difficult to come on the mentioned date, please contact VFS global in advance.

In addition, those who made a reservation with “Screening Certificate (審査済証(Shinsazumishou))” need to get “Certificate for Completion of Registration to the ERFS system (受付済証 (Uketsukezumishou))”.

【Those who have a visa issued before 2nd December, 2021】

Please make a new reservation at VFS Global to obtain a new valid visa.

3. Required documents

[【List of documents required for application】](#)

We may ask you to submit additional documents if needed.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

4. Please see below for the details on new measures taken by the Government of Japan.

< Ministry of Foreign Affairs >

[Measures for Resuming Cross-Border Travel](#)

[Border measures to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

[Application for Visa for foreign nationals eligible for Phased Measures toward Resuming Cross-Border Travel](#)

< Immigration Services Agency of Japan >

[Regarding denial of landing to prevent the spread of COVID-19\(novel Coronavirus\)](#)