

Foreign Nationals of countries & regions with a visa exemption prior to the border control measures against Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Purpose of Visit	Necessary Documents			
	Prepared by the applicant	Note	Prepared by the guarantor in Japan	Note
(1) Relative of a Japanese national	① Visa Application Form to enter Japan, (with one passport-size colour photo taken within 6 months). ② Passport, (original + copy). ③ Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, (original + copy). ④ Valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa, (original + copy)(※ Not applicable for Permanent Residents).	#1 #2 #3 #4	① Family Register of Japan, (issued within 3 months)(original). ② Bio-data page of passport, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ③ Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ④ Certificate of Residence, (for household use) (issued within 3 months)(original) (※ For residents currently living in Japan).	#5 #3 #7
(2) Relative of a person with the status of “Permanent Resident” (“永住者”)	Same as above.		① Relationship Proof between the applicant and the “Permanent Resident”, (original + copy). ② Bio-data page of passport, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ③ Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ④ Residence Card, (front + back)(copy).	#5 #3
(3) Spouse or child of a person with the status of “Long-Term Resident”(“定住者”)	Same as above.		① Relationship proof between the applicant and the “Long-Term Resident”, (original + copy). ② Bio-data page of passport, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ③ Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, (copy) (※ For residents currently living in Hong Kong or Macau). ④ Residence Card, (front + back)(copy).	#5 #3
(4) Relative of a foreign national who has a status of residence in Japan other than (2) and (3)	Same as above.		① Relationship Proof between the applicant and the inviting person, (original + copy). ② Bio-data page of passport, (copy). ③ Residence Card, (front + back)(copy).	#5 #3
(5) Visiting an acquaintance who is residing in Japan (※ Only applies to a foreign national who has a relationship with a person residing in Japan equivalent to a relative, (e.g. fiancé/fiancée, Common-law marriage etc.), or who is attending a wedding ceremony/funeral or visiting an acquaintance residing in Japan who is seriously ill in Japan.	Same as above.		① Relationship proof between the applicant and the inviting person, (original + copy). ② Bio-data page of passport, (copy) (※ If the inviter is a foreign national). ③ Residence Card, (front + back)(copy). ④ Certificate of Residence, (for household use) (issued within 3 months)(original) (※ If attending a funeral, please submit the inviter’s Certificate of Residence). ⑤ Invitation Letter , (original) (Written Pledge). ⑥ Letter of Guarantee , (original). ⑦ Invitation or event details, (copy) (※ If attending a wedding ceremony/funeral). ⑧ Documents showing the inviting person’s medical condition, e.g. Medical Certificate etc., (copy) (※ If visiting an acquaintance residing in Japan who is seriously ill in Japan).	#6 #3 #7 #8 #9

Points to note regarding necessary documents to be prepared by the applicant

#1 Visa Application Form to Enter Japan, ([Specific format](#)).

- (Note 1) All items in the visa application form must be completed in full. (Please write 'nil' if item not applicable).
- (Note 2) In the case of students, (including kindergarten students), please fill in the school name, address and phone number under the item of the "Name and address of employer".
- (Note 3) For the items of "Guarantor or reference in Japan" and "Inviter in Japan":
- ① For applicants who travel alone, please fill in the name, address and phone number, etc. of the relatives or acquaintances in Japan.
 - ② For applicants who travel together, please fill in the name, address and phone number, etc. of the Japanese national, "Permanent Resident" etc. who they are travelling with.
- (Note 4) The form must be personally signed by the applicant. (The signature must be the same as in the applicant's passport. For minors who are not yet in education, a parent may sign on his/her behalf).

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#2 One passport-size colour photo.

- (Note) Passport-size colour photo, taken within 6 months. (45mm(H) X 35mm(W), front-facing, without hat, without background).

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#3 Passport, (original + copy).

- (Note 1) Including copies of the following pages: Bio-data and signature, valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa, Japanese temporary visitor visa and immigration stamps of entry/departure to/from Japan.
- (Note 2) The passport must be signed by the applicant. (Except for minors who are not yet in education).

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#4 Valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa, (original + copy).

- (Note) If the residency visa is in an expired passport, the applicant is required to submit the originals of both the expired and current passports, along with copies of the bio-data pages and pages with valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visas of both the expired and current passports.

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Points to note regarding necessary documents to be prepared by the guarantor in Japan
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#5 Documents showing the relationship between the applicant and a relative, (original + copy).

- (Note 1) Please submit documents showing the relationship as relatives. (Family Register of Japan, Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate, etc.). For the Family Register of Japan, we can only accept original documents issued within the 3 months prior to the submission of the visa application. If the original is unable to be submitted due to the suspension of international mail services, it is acceptable to submit a copy.
- (Note 2) If the Family Register of Japan is unable to be submitted, please submit relationship proof, e.g. Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate etc., along with a letter stating the reason why the Family Register of Japan is unable to be submitted.

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#6 Documents showing the relationship between the applicant and an acquaintance, (original + copy).

- (Note) Please submit documents showing the relationship between the applicant and the inviting person. (Photographs which indicate clearly “when, where and with whom” on the photo or letters, etc.).

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#7 Certificate of Residence, (original).

- (Note) For the Certificate of Residence, only versions for household use are acceptable. We can only accept original documents issued within the 3 months prior to the submission of the visa application. If the original is unable to be submitted due to the suspension of international mail services, it is acceptable to submit a copy.

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#8 Invitation Letter, (original) ([Specific format](#)) ([Written Pledge](#)).

- (Note 1) State the purpose of entry in detail, explain any activities planned in Japan. (Describe specific activities, instead of vague references such as “visiting acquaintances” or “visiting relatives”).
- (Note 2) In the section relating to the inviting person, please ensure that his/her full name, address and phone number are entered.
- (Note 3) Write the full name of an applicant using the Roman alphabet. When there are two or more applicants, please specify “xx additional applicants, as shown in an attached list of names”, following the full name of the representative applicant and attach a list that details the nationalities, full names, occupations and dates of birth of all applicants.

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#9 Letter of guarantee, (original) ([Specific format](#)).

- (Note 1) Please ensure that all items are completed in the Letter of Guarantee, as the omission of any item renders it incomplete.
- (Note 2) Please complete the form in the same manner as the Invitation Letter.
- (Note 3) A foreigner is only eligible to be a guarantor if he/she is residing in Japan with a status of residence.

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