Application Guideline for a Single Entry Temporary Visitor Electronic Visa (eVISA)

The following is the electronic visa (hereinafter referred to as a "eVISA") application procedure for a single entry temporary visit of up to 90 days for the purposes of sightseeing. The purpose for entry into Japan excludes engaging in any activity involving the management of a business or remuneration.

1 Who can submit an eVISA application?

Foreign nationals, other than nationals or citizens of countries & territories with visa exemptions, who are Hong Kong or Macau residents and currently residing in Hong Kong or Macau, are eligible to apply for an eVisa.

- (Note 1) Temporary visitors are not eligible for eVISA applications. Hong Kong or Macau residency visas, as well as a Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, need to be shown. For those with residency visas expiring during their period of stay in Japan, please extend the residency visa before making the eVISA application.
- (Note 2) Applicants must submit their eVISA applications via the Japan Visa Application Centre website.

 The necessary documents are listed in "List of Basic Documents to be submitted for a Single Entry Temporary Visitor eVISA".

For further application procedures, please refer to the Japan Visa Application Centre Website [https://visa.vfsglobal.com/hkg/en/jpn]. [Helpline: (+852) 3167-7033]

- (Note 3) <u>In the following cases, applicants are **not** eligible to apply for an eVISA</u>. Please submit a visa application to the Japan Visa Application Centre **in person**.
 - ① Applicants who have been convicted of a crime or offence or have been deported from any country.
 - ② Applicants who are dual nationals of Japan and another country.
 - 3 Applicants who apply for a Multiple Entry Temporary Visitor Visa.
 - Applicants who travel to Japan by ship. (* excluding international scheduled passenger ferries between Japan and Busan or Shanghai)
 - ⑤ Applicants who have previously been rejected for any Japan visa.
 - Nationals of Brunei, Qatar, Thailand and the United Arab Emirates.

2 Necessary Documents

Please prepare the documents listed in "<u>List of Basic Documents to be submitted for a Single Entry Temporary</u> Visitor eVISA".

- (Note 1) Documents should be submitted within 3 months of their issuance.
- (Note 2) In principle, eVISA applications are determined based on the documents submitted, however, in a case where insufficient basic documents have been submitted, it is possible that an eVISA may not be issued, even though an application submission has been accepted by the system.
- (Note 3) In principle, eVISA applications are determined based on the documents submitted, however, applicants may be requested to provide additional documents, other than the basic documents, if deemed necessary. Besides any additional documents requested by the Consulate, further documents will not be accepted once the application has been submitted.

3 eVISA Issuance

In principle, the eVISA application process takes <u>a minimum of 2 weeks from the date of submission</u>, (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays announced by the Consulate-General of Japan in Hong Kong).

If the result of the eVISA application examination is successful, a "<u>Visa Issuance Notice</u>" (eVISA) will be issued. Please note that it is possible an eVISA may not be issued even though all the necessary documents are submitted.

- (Note 1) The duration of eVISA processing may vary if the applicant's documents are incomplete, he / she is requested to submit additional documents or our Consulate has to make enquiries to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tokyo.
- (Note 2) The collection procedure is subject to the arrangement of the Japan Visa Application Centre.
- (Note 3) The payment of an eVISA application fee is subject to the arrangement of the Japan Visa Application Centre. The fee may vary depending on the passport type. Please reconfirm upon application.
- (Note 4) The validity of the eVISA is 3 months, it cannot be extended.
- (Note 5) Please note that we will not answer any enquiries about the reasons for not issuing an eVISA.

4 How to display the "Visa Issuance Notice" (eVISA)?

Travellers holding an eVISA are required to display the "<u>Visa Issuance Notice</u>" on a mobile device that is **CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET** (i.e., smartphone, tablet, or other **INTERNET CONNECTED** devices). The "<u>Visa Issuance Notice</u>" may be requested **at any time** during travel to and entry into Japan by Immigration Department, airport or airline staff etc. Please ensure that you are able to access the Notice when required. **PDF data, screenshots and printed copies of the page will NOT be accepted for travel.**

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List of Basic Documents to be submitted for a Single Entry Temporary Visitor eVISA (Purpose of visit: Tourism / Period of stay: up to 90 days)

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	Necessary documents to be prepared by the applicant	Note	People's Republic of China (PRC)	Identity for VISA Purposes (HKDI) / Macau Travel Permit	Russia / CIS countries / Georgia (★)	Other Countries or Regions
1)	Declaration form for the JAPAN eVISA application. (Specific format)	<u>#1</u>	•	•	•	•
2	Passport-size colour photo.	<u>#2</u>	•	•	•	•
3	Documents showing the travel record from Hong Kong or Macau for the past year.	<u>#3</u>	•	•		
4	Documents showing the ability to support travel expenses.	<u>#4</u>	•	•	•	•
5	Travel Itinerary. (Specific format)	<u>#5</u>	•	•	•	•
6	Confirmation of airline reservation.	<u>#6</u>	A	A	A	A
7	Documents showing the relationship between the applicant and the relative. ** If submitting a relative's documents.	<u>#7</u>	•	•	•	•
8	Passport / HKDI / Macau Travel Permit.	<u>#8</u>	•	•	•	•
9	Valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa. ** Not applicable for "Permanent Identity Card" holders	<u>#9</u>	•	•	•	•
10	Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card.	<u>#10</u>	•	•	•	•
 Necessary documents ▲ Deemed necessary on a case-by-case basis 						

X Please note that applicants may be requested to provide any other documents deemed necessary.

Armenia / Azerbaijan / Belarus / Kazakhstan / Kyrgyzstan / Moldova / Tajikistan / Turkmenistan /

CIS countries:

Ukraine / Uzbekistan

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Points to note for necessary documents prepared by the applicant

#1 Declaration form for the JAPAN eVISA application. (Specific format)

- (Note 1) All items in the declaration form must be completed truthfully and correctly.
- (Note 2) The declaration form must be signed by the applicant in ink. (The signature should be the same as the applicant's passport signature. For minors who are not yet in school, a parent may sign on his / her behalf.).
- (Note 3) Electronic signatures are not acceptable.

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#2 Passport-size colour photo.

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

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#3 Documents showing the travel record from Hong Kong or Macau for the past year.

- (Note 1) Documents must show the travel record of the applicant for the past year.
- (Note 2) We can only accept documents issued by the Immigration Department of HKSAR or the Public Security Police Force of Macau SAR.
 - ① For the Hong Kong "Statement of Travel Record", please refer to the Immigration Department of HKSAR website: https://www.gov.hk/en/residents/immigration/records/str.htm
 - ② For the Macau "Personal Movement Record", please refer to the Public Security Police Force of Macau SAR website: https://www.gov.mo/en/services/ps-1474/ps-1474j/

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#4 Documents showing the ability to support travel expenses.

- (Note 1) Please submit the past 1 month (30 days') bank book / bank statements in the name of the applicant or a past year's salary proof from an official organisation (Salary Tax Return from the government).
- (Note 2) If the bank book / bank statements are from a joint account with a spouse etc., relationship proof is also required.
- (Note 3) In the case of dependents, (students or minors who are not yet in school), please submit the documents listed below:
 - ① Documents from parents showing the ability to support travel expenses.
 - ② Documents showing the relationship (birth certificate).

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#5 Travel Itinerary. (Specific format)

(Note) Please describe all activities planned in Japan in detail, along with flight numbers (round trip from Hong Kong (including transit flights)) and airports to be used for arrival and departure and the place of stay. (For hotel stays, please include the name, address and telephone number of all hotels).

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#6 Confirmation of airline reservation.

- (Note 1) Please note that the eVISA fee may be waived for nationals who are visiting Okinawa / Miyagi / Fukushima / Iwate prefectures, if the confirmation slip for the airline reservation is submitted.
- (Note 2) Please submit the confirmed round trip air-tickets, the air-ticket booking confirmation or a franked receipt (showing the payment of the outbound fare and the levy) for a group tour.
- (Note 3) Please note that it is possible an eVISA may not be issued even though the confirmation slip for airline reservation is submitted.

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#7 Documents showing the relationship between the applicant and the relative.

- (Note 1) Please submit documents showing the relationship as relatives. (Family Register of Japan, marriage certificates, birth certificates, etc.).
- (Note 2) For the Family Register of Japan, we can only accept documents issued within 3 months.

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#8 Passport / HKDI / Macau Travel Permit.

- (Note 1) The HKDI or Macau Travel Permit must have at least 6 months' validity.
- (Note 2) Include copies of pages with bio-data, signature, valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa, Japanese Temporary Visitor Visa(s) and immigration stamp(s) of entry / departure to / from Japan.
- (Note 3) The passport / HKDI / Macau Travel Permit must be signed by the applicant in ink (except for minors who are not yet in school).

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#9 Valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa.

- (Note 1) If the residency visa is placed in an old passport, the applicant is also required to submit this, which must include the bio-data page and pages with the valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa.
- (Note 2) If the applicant's Hong Kong or Macau residency visa is issued on the basis of the PRC Exit-Entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macau (hereinafter referred to as "EEP"), the applicant is required to submit both sides of the EEP (with valid "逗留(D)") and the valid Hong Kong or Macau residency visa.
- (Note 3) In the case of HKDI / Macau Travel Permit, applicants are not required to provide these documents.
- (Note 4) In the case of a "Permanent Identity Card" holder, applicants are not required to provide these documents.

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#10 Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card.

- (Note 1) In the case of a Hong Kong or Macau Identity Card, please submit both sides of the identity card.
- (Note 2) In the case of a Macau Non-resident Worker's Identification Card, please submit both sides of the Macau Non-resident Worker's Identification Card.

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