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Acceptance of Foreign Researchers under New Measures for Border (Notification)

On August 25, 2022, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) announced new measures to strengthen border measures. As of September 7, 2022, if you have a vaccination certificate, you are not required to submit the inspection certificate within 72 hours prior to departure from Japan.

Therefore, we would like to ask you to inform the relevant faculty and staff of the above. As in the past, new incoming foreign researchers who wish to enter Japan are still required to register with the Entrants-Returnees Follow-up System (ERFS).

Accordingly, the "Notice on the Acceptance of Foreign Researchers under the New Measures for border (Notification)" dated June 2, 2022, No. 11 of the Kyushu University is repealed.

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Regarding the new border measures (31)

[Changes from the previous version]

All returnees and entrants who hold a valid vaccination certificate shall not be required to submit proof of inspection within 72 hours prior to departure.

 For a valid vaccination certificate, see the following URL: <u>https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/border_vaccine.html</u>

 \cdot The quarantine measures to be applied can be checked using the form at the following site.

https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/

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Attachment 2

New Entry of Foreign Nationals

Details of Measures

Under the "Revision of Restrictions on New Entry of Foreign Nationals," <u>a new entry will be</u> permitted under the control of the person responsible for receiving the foreign national (not an individual, but a university), who applies for the necessary information in the MHLW system (Entrants-Returnees Follow-up System (ERFS)).

2. Target

Foreign nationals entering the country for the following purposes:

- (1) Short-term stays for three months or less for business or employment purposes (short-term visiting researchers, etc.)
- (2) All, long-term stays (foreign researchers, etc.)

3. Process from application to entry into Japan

See Appendix 3.

4. Application procedures

(1) Preparation

Set up a <u>person in charge of receiving</u> foreigners who will be in charge of health care for incoming foreigners and handling them in case their result of inspections are positive (host teacher or administrative staff).

The person in charge of receiving the new entry application should prepare it in consultation with the person entering the country. At that time, please explain to the person entering the country the matters to be complied with in Appendix 4 "Instructions to Entrants" and "Written Oath (Individual)".

(2) Documents to be submitted

New Entry Application Form [University Form] (Excel File)

In the event of any changes prior to entry into Japan

If there are any changes regarding the submitted application, please report the changes by the "Application for New Entry form". Vaccination certificate (copy)

<u>Vaccination Certificate (copy) is not a document to be submitted</u> but is required at the time of entry if the applicant wishes to "shorten the waiting period". The person in charge of receiving the applicant must check in advance whether the certificate is valid or not, so please obtain it from the person entering the country at the time of application.

- (3) How to submit the application
 - ① The administrative office of each department shall compile the documents submitted by the person in charge of receiving the application (2) and submit them to the office of the host department.

Please save the file in the PJ folder

⁽²⁾The International Division enter the contents of the application form saved by 2:00 p.m. every day into the Entrants, Returnees Follow-up System (ERFS), and save the " Receipt of Acceptance " issued by 4:00 p.m. on the same day in the PJ folder.

5. After application

(1) Upon receiving the Receipt of Acceptance (PDF), the person in charge of receiving the application should immediately email it to the person entering the country and instruct him or her to proceed with the visa application.

Please see below for the documents required for visa application.

<Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan <u>https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/toko/visa/index.html</u> <List of foreign embassies and consulates>. <u>https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/annai/zaigai/list/index.html</u>

If you need a Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) (for long-term stay), please check the "Application for Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) by proxy" on the following website.

https://www.isc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/intlweb/student/visa

The period of validity of a Certificate of Eligibility that has already been issued is deemed to be valid when the host institution, etc. submits a written request stating that they are able to continue to accept the applicant as per the activities at the time of application for Certificate of Eligibility.

https://www.moj.go.jp /isa/content/930005022.pdf

• It is now possible to apply for a short-term stay visa that is valid for multiple-use.

Please note that the person in charge of acceptance will be deemed to have agreed to the "Pledges"

of the multiple trips of all entrants over the course of a year. If you wish to apply, please select "O"in the column on the Form of the "Application for multiple-use visa (1 year)" New Entry Application Form.

- (2) Immigrants must be tested for coronavirus infection within 72 hours prior to departure and obtain a "negative" test certificate from a local medical institution using the prescribed format. See below for details. However, all returnees and entrants who hold a valid vaccination certificate are not required to submit a test certificate within 72 hours prior to departure.
- (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare: Submission of Inspection Certificate) https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431_00248.html

Please fill out the form on the following website to confirm your information. https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/

- (3) Upon entry into Japan, all immigrants are required to have private medical insurance (including travel insurance that covers medical expenses during the period of stay) or Japan's public medical insurance system. The person in charge of receiving the applicants should check the status of the insurance.
- (4) Immigrants are required to install the necessary apps (App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care (MySOS) and Contact Confirmation App (COCOA)) after entering the country.

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431_00250.html

(5) Simplification of immigration procedures (Fast Track)

Please pre-register the following information required for quarantine and use the Fast Track.

- ① Questionnaire Web ②Pledge ③ Vaccination Certificate
- ④ Certificate of inspection within 72 hours prior to departure (please prepare image data)
 *A valid vaccination certificate does not require a certificate of inspection within 72 hours. https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/

(6) About Visit Japan Web Service

This is a web service that allows you to perform immigration procedures such as quarantine, immigration inspection, and customs declaration at the time of entry into Japan. Please register in advance from the following URL separately from Fast Track. <u>https://www.digital.go.jp/policies/visit_japan_web/</u> (7) The waiting period depends on the country/region and the availability of a valid certificate of vaccine as follows:

classification	Valid vaccine	Pre-departure	Waiting period after entry into the country	
	certificate	test		
red	Without		3-days quarantine facility waiting	
	without	required	(+ negative facility test)"	
	with		"Stay at home for 3 days + negative	
yellow	W7'41 4		voluntary test."	
	Without		(If not inspected, <u>5 days waiting</u>)	
	with			
blue	Without	-	No waiting.	
	with			

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431 00209.html

Country/Region Classification

https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/index.html

Classification of Countries and Regions (as of September 2, 2022)

https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/covid19/pdf2/0902 list.pdf

Information on valid vaccination certificates

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/border_vaccine.html

- (8) In the unlikely event of a positive case, please contact the health center with jurisdiction over the waiting facility and follow its instructions.
- (9) If the immigrant wishes to shorten the waiting period and the receptionist is able to accommodate the request, please arrange for a PCR test, etc. (PCR test or antigen quantification test). On or after the third day after entry, have the person register the negative results of the test, etc., with the Immigration Health Verification Center via the App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care (MySOS). The immigrant will be notified through the app that the waiting period is over. If they submit the application by 6:00 p.m. on the same day, they will be notified that the waiting period will be lifted from the following day (4th day).
- (10) Testing organizations are limited in order to receive the reduced waiting period, please refer to the following website to arrange for PCR testing, <u>https://www.c19.mhlw.go.jp/search/</u>

6. Points to keep in mind

- (1) It is not possible to use the University's facilities (Ito Guest House, etc.) as a waiting area.
 Please reserve a waiting area at a hotel or other facility.
- (2) Please follow the notification of the International student exchange division regarding the new entry of international students.
- (3) Please note that expenses related to border control measures, such as the cost of PCR tests, etc., expenses related to spending at the waiting area, and expenses for transportation, etc., are to be borne by the respective departments (or by the entrant).
- (4) Please check the Q&A on "New Measures for Strengthening border Measures" for a comprehensive description of the measures to be taken this time. https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/000945020.pdf
- (5) In the event of a violation of the pledge of the person in charge of receiving the participants or the written pledge (individual) (including cases of misrepresentation in either case), the name of the company/organization responsible for receiving the participants will be made public from the viewpoint of preventing the spread of new-type coronavirus infection. In addition, the "Online Application for New Entry of Foreign Nationals" from the person responsible for receiving the applicant may not be accepted thereafter.
- (6) Please refer to Appendix 5 for items that need to be addressed by the person in charge of receiving the application.

Entry Flow (for both returnees and new arrivals)

 \cdot · · Newly arrived foreigners only, returnees are not required to apply

Please confirm the existence and duration of the waiting period

according to the Quick Reference Table of Waiting Periods for Immigrants.

		Matter	Contents	-	mentor Faculty	N B
1			Explanation of the contents of the "Instructions to Entrants" and "Pledge		0	
			Correspondence with the individual to prepare an application form for a new immigrant (campus form)	0	0	*Only for those who epply
	2	Submit to the international department	Prepare a certificate (copy) of 3 vaccinations Submit (campus form) Application for New Immigrants to the PJ folder of the International Office [From the international division to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare]		0	*Only for those who apply
		【Application to the Ministry	Send a PDF file to the person when received the certificate of acceptance		0	
	3	Visa Procedures	• Submit the required documents such as certificate of acceptance to the Japanese embassy or consulate abroad	0		 In addition to the visa application form, passport, photo, and certificate of acceptance, the following documents are required. ★For short-term : a letter of invitation, a letter of guarantee, a schedule of stay and documents showing the applicant's ability to pay for the trip. ★For long-term : a certificate of eligibility is required.
	4	Arrangement of tickets, etc.	 flight ticket Accommodations for the waiting period (check the table below for waiting periods) 	0		★If the case falls under the category that requires a waiting period, you will be placed on standby at a facility designated by the government (quarantine statio In such cases, the government will bear the costs, including PCR tests, etc.
	5	Enrollment in private medical insurance	• Enrollment Procedures	0		Insurance policies and other documents may be checked at the time of entry int Japan.
	6	Install of the App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care (MySOS)	 App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care (MySOS) Contact Confirmation Application COCOA 	0		Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Immigration Health Confirmation Cente https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/
	7	Obtaining the inspection certification	 Obtain a "(Negative) Certificate within 72 hours before departure" from a medical institution in the country/region where you are staying. Please refer the following URL: https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121 	0		Quarantine measures will change depending on the place of stay before enterin the country and whether or not you have had the third vaccination, so please check the applicable quarantine measures first. Please fill out the form on the site below for confirmation. https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/
	8	Fast Track allows quarantine procedures to be done prior to entry into the country	 [Quarantine procedures to be done prior to entry into Japan] Fill out the Questionnaire form Fill out the pledge form Confrimation of the validity of vaccination certificates Confirmation of the validity of inspection certificate within 72 hours prior to departure Install and log in to the MySOS(App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care). 			Fast Track: https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/fasttrack/ Applicable to those entering from Narita International Airport, Haneda Airport, Central Japan International Airport(Centerair), Kansai International Airport, Fukuoka Airport.
	9	Register for Visit Japan Web Service	• After obtaining the inspection certificate, register for the Visit Japan Web Service.	0		Visit Japan Web Services: https://www.visitjapan.digital.go.jp/Web/ Web service for immigration procedures such as quarantine, immigration inspection, and customs declaration at the time of entry into Japan.
	10	Quarantine and immigration at the airport	【Quarantine】 Fast-track (quarantine is completed by showing the screen on the smartphone) 【Immigration】 Confirmation of visa, etc.	0		Refer to 【Waiting period after entry into Japan】 below for the waiting period after entry into Japan and whether or not inspections are required.
	11	PCR testing	 As a rule, both returnees and new arrivals waits in the airport until the PCR test is conducted and the results are available. 	0		PCR test and waiting period at the time of entry will be omitted depending on the classification of the country/region and submission of the vaccination certificate.
	12	Move to accommodations and wait	• Move to accommodation or home, wait (3 or 7 days), and travel is possible for 24 hours after the airport quarantine,	0	0	Immigrants or the person in charge pick them up and move to the waiting area.
	13	Health status report, etc.	 Health follow-up during the waiting period through the app (MySOS) Save location information by using map apps, etc. Install of contact confirmation app and start to use it. 	0	0	If the patient becomes symptomatic, the person in charge of receiving the patient should immediately contact the "health center in charge" and have the patient receive medical treatment at a designated medical institution.
	14			0	0	 PCR testing is conducteed on the third day. In case of a positive test result, immediately report the test result via MySOS app and receive instructions. PCR test is not required if the patient waits for 7 days

for those who waiting only

O Waiting Period Table

<u>Country or region of your stay before arrival</u>	Valid vaccination certificate	Quarantine		
<u>country of region of your stay before arrival</u>		<u>Pre-departure test</u>	On-arrival test	Isolation
BLUE	with	not required		
BLOE	without	required	-	-
H YELLOW	with	not required	-	-
	without	required	required	3days at home *1
(RED	with	not required	required	3days at home *1
(RED	without	required	required	3days at facility *2

Countries and Regions of each category

	Asia and Oceania	North America	Latin America	Europe	Middle East and Africa
RED					
YELLOW	India, North Korea, Kiribati, Sri Lanka, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Pakistan, Fiji, Bhutan, Viet Nam, Marshall Islands, Macao, Micronesia, Maldives		Guyana, Cuba, Saint Lucia, Dominica, Trinidad and Tobago, Nicaragua, Haiti, Bahamas, Barbados, Venezuela, Belize	Albania, Andorra, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, North Macedonia, Cyprus, Kosovo, Georgia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Vatican, Belarus, Portugal, Malta, Liechtenstein	Yemen, Egypt, Oman, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea, Kuwait, Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Saudi Arabia, <u>Sierra Leone</u> , Syria, Zimbabwe, Sudan, Seychelles, Equatorial Guinea, Senegal, Central African Republic, Tunisia, Togo, Turkey, Namibia, Niger, Palestine, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Mali, Mauritania, Libya, Liberia, Lesotho, Lebanon
BLUE	Indonesia, Australia, Republic of Korea, Cambodia, <u>Cook</u> Islands, Samoa, Singapore, Thailand, Taiwan, China, <u>Tuvalu</u> , Taiwan, China, <u>Tuvalu</u> , Taiwan, China, <u>Tuvalu</u> , Caland, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, <u>Vanuatu</u> , Palau, Bangladesh, East Timor, Philippines, Brunei, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Myanmar, Mongolia, Laos	States of America	the Grenadines, Chile,	Italy, United Kingdom, Estonia, Austria, Netherlands, Greece, Kyrgyz Republic, Croatia, <u>San Marino</u> , Switzerland, Sweden, Spain, Slovakia, Slovenia, Serbia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Norway, Hungary, Finland, France, Bulgaria, Belgium, Poland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Monaco,	Afghanistan, United Arab Emirates, Algeria, Angola, Israel, Iraq, Iran, Uganda, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ghana, Cabo Verde, Qatar, Cameroon, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Côte d'Ivoire, Comoros, Sao Tome and Principe, Zambia, Djibouti, Somalia, Tanzania, Chad, Nigeria, Western Sahara, Bahrain, Benin, Botswana, Madagascar, Malawi, South Africa, South Sudan, <u>Mauritius</u> , Mozambique, Morocco, Jordan, Rwanda

September 2, 2022

(Note) The revised designations for the underlined countries/regions will be applied from 0:00 am (JST) on September 7.

Please check the latest information from the URL below https://www.anzen.mofa.go.jp/

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Attachement 4

Explanatory notes for entrants

- □ Please visit the Embassy of Japan for visa application with the required documents for "Receipt of Acceptance and Issuance of Visa". Please contact the Embassy of Japan for the necessary documents.
- □ Obtain a certificate of (negative) test within 72 hours before departure
 - *A valid vaccination certificate does not require a certificate of inspection within 72 hours. Please fill out the following website to confirm the necessary quarantine measures. https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/
- □ Refer to the attached document for necessary information on Japan's border measures, including inspection and waiting measures at the time of entry.
- □ Install necessary applications and register information on smart phones.
 - (1) Install MySOS (the App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care) and register necessary information such as inspection certificates so that Fast Track can be used for smooth quarantine procedures

MySOS

Japanese: https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/manual/pdf-jp/summary.pdf

English: https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/manual/pdf-en/summary.pdf

Fast Track

Japanese: https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/fasttrack/

English: https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/fasttrack/en/

(2) Use of the Visit Japan Web Service (a web service that enables entry procedures such as quarantine, immigration, and customs declarations at the time of entry into Japan).

Visit Japan Web

Japanese: <u>https://www.digital.go.jp/policies/posts/visit_japan_web</u> English: <u>https://www.digital.go.jp/en/services/visit_japan_web</u>

 \Box If you do not have a smartphone, you have to rent a smart phone at the airport at the time of entry into the country,

□ Check the designated country/region and vaccination certificate together with the host person in

charge to determine waiting facilities, flight schedule, etc.

 \Box During the waiting period after entry into Japan, the immigrant should be contact with the person in charge every day.

- □ If the immigrant wants to shortened a waiting period, a PCR test is required after consulting with the person in charge of, and if the PCR test is not taken, the applicant must wait for 5 days.
- □ If immigrants become symptomatic or positive for novel coronavirus infection or feel unwell during the waiting period, they must promptly notify the person in charge of receiving the applicant.
- □ Thorough infection prevention measures ((1) wearing non-woven masks, (2) thorough hand disinfection, and (3) avoidance of "3Cs (Closed spaces, Crowded places, and Close-contact settings)")
- □ Comply with the Japanese laws and regulations.
- □ If the pledge is violated, or if the contents of the written pledge that the immigrant pledges at the time of quarantine at the time of entry are violated (including cases of misrepresentation in either case), the name of the company/organization, etc. responsible for receiving the immigrant may be made public. In addition, the name of the company or organization responsible for receiving the foreigner may be made public, and the "online application for new entry for foreigners" from the responsible person may not be accepted in the future, from the perspective of preventing the spread of new coronavirus infection.

Arranging the pledges of the person in charge of acceptance

As the person in charge of accepting visitors to Japan (Kyushu University National University Corporation), the following items are required

The following is a list of items to be handled by the person in charge of receiving the application.

(a) The person in charge of receiving the newcomers shall be the person in charge of "online application for new entry of foreigners" concerning the newcomers, securing waiting facilities, etc., and taking measures to prevent transmission of new-type coronavirus infection, symptomatic conditions, and positive cases, etc.

 \rightarrow Each department of the university appoints a person in charge of receiving students.

(b) If there are any changes in the information entered, ensure that the applicant reregisters through the "Online Application for New Entry for Foreigners" before entering Japan.

 \rightarrow International Division will handle the case. However, if there is a change in the "date of scheduled entry" or "waiting facility" after the visa is issued

In this case, it is not necessary to contact the International Office, as re-registration is not required.

(c) In case an immigrant becomes symptomatic or positive for novel coronavirus infection, or becomes unwell, etc., information on the location and hours of medical institutions in the vicinity of the waiting area should be obtained.

 \rightarrow Once the waiting area has been determined, please check with the receptionist to confirm nearby medical facilities.

(d)Provide necessary information on Japan's water border control measures including inspection and waiting measures at the time of entry to through relevant websites and materials to those who enter Japan.

 \rightarrow The person in charge of reception should provide the English version of the same material to the incoming students.

(e) In cases where the entrant is able to prepare a smartphone prior to entry, the entrant

should be informed that he/she should (1) install MySOS (App for keeping a record of your and your family's health and medical care) prior to entry, (2) whenever possible, enter information such as inspection certificates into MySOS prior to entry and complete the screening process in advance, and (3) use the Visit Japan Web Service (a web service that enables quarantine, immigration inspection, and customs declaration entry procedures at the time of entry). Japan Web Service (a web-based service that enables immigration procedures such as quarantine, immigration inspection, and customs declaration at the time of entry into Japan).

If a smart phone is not available, inform the entrant that he/she will need to borrow one at the airport at the time of entry.

 \rightarrow The person in charge of receiving visitors should guide them according to the "Instructions for Visitors".

(f) Secure waiting facilities for entrants and provide information on the means of transportation to ensure that entrants are able to move to such facilities.

 \rightarrow The receiving officer should check the designated country/region and vaccination certificate with the applicant to determine the waiting facility.

(g)Confirming daily, by telephone, e-mail, or other means, about the person's status at a waiting facility during the waiting period and about his/her health condition (except in the case of waiting at a facility designated by the quarantine station). The applicant shall be required to make a report to the quarantine station by phone or e-mail. In addition, if the Center for Health Confirmation of Entrants or the relevant administrative agency is notified that an entrant has violated his/her pledge, such as not waiting at a waiting facility (violation of the contents of the pledge that the entrant pledges at the time of quarantine upon entry), the entrant shall cooperate in correcting or investigating such violation.

 \rightarrow Make sure that the incoming person is contacted daily by the receptionist.

(h)For those who enter the country with a shorter waiting period, arrange to undergo an inspection that meets the requirements.

 \rightarrow (If the waiting period is to be shortened.)

The person in charge of acceptance should arrange for PCR testing, etc.

(i) If an immigrant becomes symptomatic or positive for novel coronavirus infection, or becomes unwell, etc. during the waiting period, the immigrant should be promptly taken to a medical institution as necessary. In addition, if instructions are given by the public health center, etc., they should follow the instructions.

→ If a positive case occurs, the person in charge of receiving the patient should respond by calling the public health center, etc. that has jurisdiction over the standby location. Since Fukuoka City has a consultation dial, it is recommended that the standby location be set in Fukuoka.

Fukuoka City Consultation Dial for Consultation on Infectious Disease of New Type Coronavirus (Medical examination and consultation center)

(Phone number: 092-711-4126 (Open 24 hours a day)

(Consultation with the special dial for foreign residents 092-687-5357 (available 24 hours a day, in 19 languages))

Narita Branch Office, Inba Public Health Center 0476-26-7231

International University of Health and Welfare Narita Hospital Reservation Center 0476-35-5576

Narita Tomisato Tokushukai Hospital 0476-93-1001

The following information should be provided to visitors to Japan according to the "Instructions to Visitors".

(j)Ensure that all co-inhabitants take thorough measures to prevent infection (1) wear nonwoven masks, (2) thoroughly disinfect hands, and (3) avoidance "3-Cs (Closed spaces, Crowded places, and Close-contact settings)".

(k) Comply with laws and regulations related to the border control system, such as the Quarantine Law, the Law Concerning Prevention of Infectious Diseases and Medical Care for Patients of Infectious Diseases, and the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act, etc.

(1) If the above pledge is violated, or if the content of the written pledge that the person entering Japan makes at the time of quarantine upon entry is violated (including cases of misrepresentation in either case). In addition, the name of the company or organization responsible for receiving the foreigner may be made public, and the "online application for new entry for foreigners" from the responsible party may not be accepted in the future from the viewpoint of preventing the spread of new coronavirus infection.