

Countries and Regions with Reciprocal Visa Exemption Arrangements with Japan (Note 1)

6 Months or Less

Austria Germany Ireland Liechtenstein Mexico Switzerland UK (British Citizens)

3 Months or Less

Argentina Bahamas Belgium Canada Chile Costa Rica Croatia Cyprus
Denmark Dominican Republic El Salvador Finland France Greece Guatemala
Honduras Iceland Israel Italy Lesotho (Note 2) Luxembourg
Macedonia, former Yugoslavia Malta Malaysia (Note 9) Mauritius Netherlands Norway
Portugal San Marino Singapore Slovenia Spain Surinam Sweden Tunisia
Turkey (Note 2) Uruguay

90 Days or Less

Andorra Australia Barbados (Note 2) Bulgaria Czech Republic Estonia Hungary
Hong Kong (Note 3) Republic of Korea Latvia Lithuania Macau (Note 4) Monaco
New Zealand Poland Romania Serbia (Note 7) Slovakia Taiwan (Note 5)
USA (Note 6)

15 Days or Less

Thailand (Note 8)

14 Days or Less

Brunei

Note 1: Nationals of some countries which have a visa exemption arrangement with Japan are currently strongly recommended to obtain a visa prior to entering Japan. Strict landing examination will apply at passport control in Japan for those nationals arriving without visas. These countries are: **Peru** (since 15th July 1995) and **Colombia** (since 1st February 2004).

Note 2: Nationals of Turkey, Lesotho and Barbados with NON-MACHINE READABLE PASSPORTS (NON-MRP) are strongly recommended to obtain a visa before entering Japan.

Note 3: Visas are not required for Hong Kong SAR passport holders and BNO passport holders (Hong Kong permanent identity card holders).

Note 4: Visas are not required for Macau SAR passport holders.

Note 5: Visas are not required for Taiwan passport holders with a personal ID number shown in the respective passport.

Note 6: Journalists who have US passports must obtain a visa to travel to Japan on business, regardless of the intended length of stay.

Note 7: Visas are not required for Serbian IC passport holders only.

Note 8: Visas are not required for Thai IC passport holders only.

Note 9: Nationals of Malaysia with NON-ICAO standards IC passport (Please refer to this link) are strongly recommended to obtain a visa before entering Japan.