



Visa for Entering Japan

Who needs a visa to enter Japan?

- Japan has reciprocal visa exemption arrangements with 71 countries and regions - https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html.
If you have a passport from a visa-exempt country or region, **you do not need a visa**. You will only need to submit the customs clearance documents upon arrival at the airport in Japan
- If you have a passport from one of the countries other than those listed using the link above, you need to prepare the necessary documents and apply for a visa at the consular section of the Diplomatic Mission of Japan with jurisdiction over **your place of residence**.

When should you apply for a visa?

- It is recommended that you apply **between early February and mid-March 2025**.
- A visa is valid for three months (it should NOT be obtained earlier than the beginning of February).
- Visas will be issued in five working days in principle, but it can take more than one month. It is best to apply by early March at the latest.

Required documents to apply for a visa

- Visit for attending conferences, you need to obtain a **“Single-Entry Short-Term Stay Visa for Short-Term Business Affairs.”**
- Required documents are **different depending on which countries/regions you are from**. Please check the following website and click on the nationality -

https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html#visa1.

- Some documents are to be prepared by the Congress Secretariat. **If you need them, follow the instructions below.**

How to obtain the documents provided by the Congress Secretariat

STEP 1: If you have not done so, complete your registration and payment for the congress - <https://wadem.org/congress/tokyo-2025/registration/>.

If you would like an invitation letter for your accompanying person and, you should register them as your accompanying person and pay for their accompanying registration fee. The registration portal for the accompanying person will open soon.

If you prefer not to pay any accompanying person fee, you will need to apply for a short-stay visa for tourism purposes for your accompanying person.

STEP 2: Download the “Itinerary in Japan” document and complete it in English for the Congress Secretariat to approve.

Itinerary in Japan - <https://www.mofa.go.jp/files/000262548.pdf>

STEP 3: Complete the form below and upload the “Itinerary in Japan” document.

<https://forms.office.com/r/0NeuHJYxBv>

When saving the “Itinerary in Japan” document, please save the file as your name.

(your-name.pdf)

STEP 4: Congress Secretariat in Japan will contact you within a week of your application.

For inquiries, please contact the Congress Secretariat at -

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