## FOR TOURISM / SIGHTSEEING

**XYou can apply in person, mail or online from March 27, 2023.** 

Who can Apply?: US citizens are <u>visa-exempt</u> in this situation. Non visa exempt foreign citizens traveling to Japan for tourism / sightseeing may apply. Business activities or visiting relatives/ acquaintances is not permitted under this visa. Activities resulting in remuneration (payment) are not permitted.

Term of Stay: 15, 30 or 90 days from the date of entry.

Validity of Visa: Single entry, 3 months from the date of issue.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

□ VALID PASSPORT: Properly signed by bearer, must have at least two, unused blank visa pages.

<b>COMPLETED VISA APPLICATION FORM:</b> The applicant must complete the visa application form. You can fill out the form by wet ink pen or typing. Do not use pencil. Signature must be written by hand (no e-signature). On the application form, if the field is not applicable, please write "N/A" or "None".
<b>ONE PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPH:</b> Please <u>write your name on the backside of the photograph in print</u> . Submit 2x2 inch or 2x1.4 inch, color photo, taken in last 6 months. Use a clear image of your face. Do not use filters commonly used on social media. Have someone else take your photo. No selfies. Take off your eyeglasses for your photo. Use a white or off-white background without shadows, texture, or lines. Most of selfie and self-printed photos are rejected due to lack of quality.
<b>FLIGHT ITINERARY / RESERVATION:</b> Must be issued by the travel agency or Airline Company in English or Japanese under visa applicant's name. We advise you <b>not to purchase</b> your airline ticket until the visa is approved. In order to make a reservation without purchase, please consult with the airline or travel agency.
TRAVEL ITINERARY IN JAPAN: Describe a day by day detailed activity plan and name and address of your accommodations in Japan. If you are traveling with someone, please list all traveler's names on the form. Every day must be accounted even if your stay is as long as 90 days.
<b>HOTEL RESERVATION</b> : Hotel reservation must be issued by a Hotel or a travel agency under your name. The hotel reservation must cover your entire stay in Japan. If your hotel reservation is not under your name, you must submit reserved person's flight itinerary / reservation as well.
<b>YOUR MOST RECENT ISSUED BANK STATEMENT:</b> This is used to determine your ability to support yourself while staying in Japan. Bank statement must be issued by a bank in the U.S. under your name and showing a residential address. If using a foreign bank statement in addition to your REQUIRED statement from a bank in the U.S., you must provide us with an officially issued balance certification, that is written in English, converted by your bank into USD, and issued within 1 month.

## ☐ PROOF OF YOUR U.S. IMMIGRATION STATUS:

- ▶ U.S. Permanent Resident → Copy of your Valid Permanent Resident card (Green card). Do not submit original card.
- ► F Visa holder → Copy of F visa, I-20 with valid travel endorsement and valid I-94 (Electronic version printed is acceptable). Do not submit original I-20.
- ► J Visa holder→ Copy of your J visa, DS-2019 with valid travel endorsement and valid I-94. Do not submit original DS-2019.
- Other U.S. visa holder→ <u>Copy</u> of your U.S. Visa and valid I-94 (Electronic version printed is acceptable).
  In order to obtain an electronic I-94, please see the <u>U.S. Customs and Border Protection website</u>.

☐ PROOF Of YOUR CURRENT RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: Copy of valid driver's license or copy of valid State ID or copy of your most recent utility bill.

## □ IMMIGRATION CLEARANCE FROM COUNTRY THAT YOU INTEND TO ENTER AFTER JAPAN:

If you intend to enter your own country after Japan→	Your valid passport
If you intend to enter a third country after Japan (where	Valid visa or Clearance from that country
a visa is necessary) →	
If you intend to enter a third country after Japan (where	Proof that you are visa exempt to enter that country. (Example;
a visa is NOT necessary)→	Print out Embassy, Consulate or Immigration website that shows
	your nationality is visa exempt)

- □ VISA FEE: Please refer to general Single Entry Visa fee. Payment method; we accept only exact amount of <u>CASH</u> (No change). We don't accept any cards, Cashier's check, Certified check, Personal check, Company check and <u>Money order.</u>
- ☐ **AUTHORIZATION FORM:** This is mandatory if someone else is applying or/and picking up on your behalf.
- □ <u>U.S. POSTAL SERVICE EXPRESS MAIL</u>, <u>PRIORITY MAIL</u>, <u>UPS or FEDEX PRE-PAID SELF-ADDRESSED</u>

  RETURN ENVELOPE (Size: 12.5X9.5 inch) and COMPLETED <u>RELEASE OF LIABILITY</u>: This is mandatory for applicants who apply via mail. If you are applying in person and wish to receive your processed passport (Visa) by mail, you must submit a Pre-paid self-addressed return envelope when you are applying the Visa. Pre-paid return envelope recipient's name and address must match the Visa application form applicant's name and residential address.