

Japan

Japan issues guidance for "high-income" Filipino nationals seeking to obtain new multiple-entry visas

Executive summary

On 10 June 2024, the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued guidance for Filipino nationals with a "high income" who seek to obtain multiple-entry visas.

Background

In May 2024, Japan introduced multiple-entry visas for "high-income" Filipino nationals who seek to visit Japan for business, tourism or family visit purposes, among others. These visas are valid for five years and authorize holders to enter Japan multiple times for up to 30 days in any 90-day period.

Key developments

"High-income" Filipino nationals who seek to apply for multiple-entry visas must submit the following documents:

- Bank statement showing their account balance in the last six months
- Employment certificate that lists their employment details, including their salary and position
- Tax payment certificate issued by the Philippines's Bureau of Internal Revenue
- Business registration certificate issued by the Philippine's Department of Trade and Industry and the Mayor's Permit issued by the Filipino authorities (for business owners only)
- ► Birth certificates of children (if sponsoring dependent children) and marriage certificate (if sponsoring a spouse)

The authorities are yet to confirm the salary threshold for Filipino nationals to qualify as "high income."

Impact on employers

The introduction of the new multiple-entry visa is expected to benefit employers that seek to send Filipino business visitors to Japan by streamlining the immigration process.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.



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