



Global Immigration alert

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Japan

Japan to increase fees for several immigration applications

Executive summary

Effective 1 April 2025, the Japanese government will increase the processing fees for certain immigration applications.

Key developments

Individuals who file the following applications will be subject to the processing fees below:

- ▶ Change of residence status: JPY 6,000 (up from JPY 4,000 currently) if filed in person; JPY 5,500 (up from JPY 4,000 currently) if filed online.
- ▶ Extension of stay: JPY 6,000 (up from JPY 4,000 currently) if filed in person; JPY 5,500 (up from JPY 4,000 currently) if filed online.
- ▶ Permanent residence: JPY 10,000 (up from JPY 8,000 currently) if filed in person. Online applications are not accepted for this permit.
- ▶ Re-entry permit (single entry): JPY 4,000 (up from JPY 3,000 currently) if filed in person; JPY 3,500 (up from JPY 3,000 currently) if filed online.
- ▶ Re-entry permit (multiple entry): JPY 7,000 (up from JPY 6,000 currently) if filed in person; JPY 6,500 (up from JPY 6,000 currently) if filed online.
- ▶ Certificate of eligibility for employment: JPY 2,000 (up from JPY 1,200 currently) if filed in person; JPY 1,600 (up from JPY 1,200 currently) if filed online.
- ▶ Issuance of Trusted Traveler Program (TTP) Card: JPY 4,000 (up from JPY 2,200 currently) if filed in person. Online applications are not accepted for this permit.

- ▶ Re-issuance of TTP Card: JPY 2,000 (up from JPY 1,100 currently) if filed in person. Online applications are not accepted for this permit.

Individuals who submit their applications on or before 31 March 2025 will be required to pay the current processing fees (and not the revised fees) even if the application is adjudicated, or the relevant document issued, on or after 1 April 2025.

Impact on employers

These changes are expected to impact companies that employ foreign nationals in Japan or send impacted individuals to Japan for business purposes. Organizations may consider the new fees in connection with their workforce planning and update their internal policies as required. To reduce expenses, companies may consider utilizing online application processes. This can not only help companies save on government fees but also eliminate costs associated with commuting to immigration offices.

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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