Current status about Immigration and Passport control to Japan

Two Ministry of Japanese Government control the border.

One is Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the other is Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

Please be carful about the announcement from those two ministries.

The Notifications will be modified due to world wide status of the COVID-19

Please ask and ensure the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in your country.

1) Announcement from Ministry of Foreign Affairs

https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page4e_001053.html https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/000903661.pdf

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Consular Services

Border measures to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

For all cross-border travelers and returnees from countries/regions where the B.1.1.529 Omicron variant becomes dominant (all countries/regions except for those where COVID-19 variants other than the Omicron variant become dominant), whether on-arrival test is required, the length of period when they are required to self-quarantine in places such as their own residence or accommodation after their entry into Japan, to follow-up health checks conducted by the Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants (HCO) and to refrain from using public transportation (hereinafter referred to as "home quarantine") will be determined according to the grouping ("Red", "Yellow" and "Blue" categories) of the countries/regions in which the entrants stayed before the day of return to Japan or the day of application for landing on Japan and whether they obtain a valid COVID-19 vaccination certificate (PDF) (One of the requirements is having received 3 doses of specific vaccines) as shown in the list below.

Classifica tion	Vaccinatio n	On-arrival Test	d other measures after entry into Japan
Red	No	Required	3-day quarantine at a specific facility designated by the chief of the quarantine station (+negative test result (PCR test) at the facility)
	Yes	Required	3-day home quarantine + negative result of a voluntary test
Yellow	No	Required	or 7-day home guarantine without test
	Yes	Not required	
Blue	No	Not required	Home quarantine and other measures are not required
	Yes	Not required	

Grouping of the countries/regions designated and announced by the MOFA and MHLW based on the New Border Measures (28) dated May 20, 2022 is as follows:

Group "Blue"

Regardless of the vaccination status of the entrants/returnees, on-arrival test, home quarantine and other measures are not required.

Group "Blue"						
Designated Date	Date of Commencing quarantine	Countries/Regions				
		Asia	Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste			
		Oceania	Australia, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea			
		North America	Canada, United States of America			
		Latin America and the Caribbean	Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay			
May 26, 2022	0:00 am (JST) on June 1, 2022	Europe	Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kyrgyz, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom			
		Middle East	Afghanistan, Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Qatar, United Arab Emirates			
		Africa	Algeria, Benin, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia			

2) Announcement from Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

COVID-19: Current Japanese Border Measures

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/covid-19/bordercontrol.html

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000164708_00079.html

Fast track for immigration

https://www.hco.mhlw.go.jp/fasttrack/en/