

## 1. Handling of residence-related applications for foreign nationals facing difficulty in returning to their home country

(i) If you are residing with the status of residence of "Temporary Visitor"

⇒ You will be given permission to extend the period of stay of "Temporary Visitor (90 Days)"

(ii) If you are residing with the status of residence of "Technical Intern Training" or "Designated Activities (Foreign Construction Worker" (No. 32), Foreign Shipbuilding Worker (No. 35)" and wish to engage in the same work as before

⇒ You will be given permission to change the status of residence to "Designated Activities (6 Months / Work Permitted)".

(Note 1) If you are residing with the status of residence of "Designated Activities (Internship (No. 9), Foreign Manufacturing Worker (No. 42))" and wish to work at the same accepting institution engaging in the same work as before, you will receive the same permission.

(Note 2) If you have been granted "Temporary Visitor" or "Designated Activities (6 Months / Work Not Permitted)" based on (iv) below, you are also eligible.

(Note 3) If you are residing with the status of residence of "Designated Activities (Summer Job (No. 12))" and wish to work at the same accepting organization engaging in the same work as before, you will be given permission to change your status of residence to "Designated Activities (3 Months, Work Permitted)".

(iii) If you are residing with the status of residence of "Student" and wish to work

⇒ You will be given permission to change the status of residence to "Designated Activities (Permitted Part-Time Work within 6 Months, 28 Hours a Week)".

(Note 1) Only for those who graduated from (completed) an educational institution on or after January 1, 2020.

(Note 2) Also applicable to those who have been granted "Temporary Visitor" or "Designated Activities (6 Months / Work Not Permitted)" based on the following (iv).

(iv) If you are currently residing with some other status of residence (including cases of the above (ii) and (iii) and you do not wish to work)

⇒ Permission to change the status of residence to "Designated Activities (6 Months, Work Not Permitted)".

\* In cases of the above (i) to (iv), you will be eligible for an extension in cases where the situation is such you are still unable to return to your home country.

## 2. Handling of applications for issuance of certificates of eligibility

(i) Measures concerning the period of validity of the certificate of eligibility

⇒ For the time being, a certificate of eligibility which is normally valid for "3 Months" will be treated as valid for "6 Months".

(ii) If a request to change the starting date of the activities is indicated with regard to a pending application

⇒ It will be examined based only on the statement of reasons prepared by the accepting organization.

(iii) If another application for issuance of a certificate of eligibility is made again, such as when the period of stay expired while out of the country waiting to re-enter Japan

⇒ It will be examined based only on the application form and the statement of reasons prepared by the accepting organization.

\* Regarding (i) to (iii) above, those whose plans have changed due to the impact of the novel coronavirus disease will be given broad consideration.

## 3. Handling of foreign nationals who are outside of Japan with re-entry permission while their residence application is pending

In cases where a foreign national who departed from Japan with re-entry permission (including special re-entry permission) submitted an application to change the status of residence, an application to extend the period of stay or an application for permanent residence before departing from Japan and is unable to re-enter Japan due to the impact of the novel coronavirus disease, a family member in Japan or the staff, etc. of the accepting organization will be permitted to receive the residence card pertaining to the permission for the application instead and the foreign national outside of Japan will be able to apply for landing based on the re-entry permission.