

A New Residency Management System & Resident Registration System for Foreign Residents (*Information for after July 9, 2012)

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Flow of procedures of the new systems

Enter Japan Immigration Inspection - Landing permission granted - Residence Card Issued to mid- to long-term residents Move-in (Note) For the time being after the introduction of the new systems from July 2012, Residence Cards will be issued only at Narita Airport, Haneda Airport, Chubu Airport and Kansai Airport. When a landing permit has been received at other ports of entry, the Residence Card will be sent to your address by post at a later date. Moving-out - Moving-in **Municipality B Municipality A** Moving-in Notification Notification of (change) **Resident Record created** of registered address (*Note) If Residence Card is not issued at the airport or sea (residence) port, after notification procedures have been completed at **Regional Immigration Bureau** your place of residence, a Residence Card will be sent to you by registered post.

Notifications and applications at the Regional Immigration Bureau office

- Notification of a change in name, date of birth, gender, nationality/region
- Application for renewal of validity period of the Residence Card (permanent residents / foreign resident who will become 16 years old
- Application for reissuance of Residence Card (If the card has been lost, stolen, destroyed, severely damaged or stained)
- Notification concerning the organization to which the applicant belongs, or the spouse (Those who reside with an employment status or learning status such as 'Student' status, or with the status of spouse.

Examinations related to resident status

(renewal of the period of stay or permission to change resident status, etc.) A new Residence Card will be issued to a mid-term to long-term residents



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What follows is an outline of the residency management system and relevant procedures mainly for mid- to long-term residents.

Regarding the system and procedures for special permanent residents, see below.

Ministry of Justice, Immigration Bureau Website: http://www.moj.go.jp/tetsuduki_shutsunyukoku.html

1 What is the new residency management system?

1-1 Outline of the system

The new residency management system is a new unified system to replace the double-system under the Alien Registration Act and Immigration Control Act for foreign nationals who have a residence status and reside in Japan for a mid to long-term (hereafter: 'mid- to long-term residents'). The amended new unified immigration control system has been introduced to enable accurate and continued ascertainment of residence conditions.

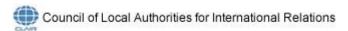
The new residency management system will be applied to 'mid- to long-term residents'. The new system does not apply to people in the following categories.

- Persons granted permission to stay for less than 3 months or less
- Persons granted' Temporary Visitor' status
- Persons granted 'Diplomat' or 'Official' status
- Persons recognized by the Ministry of Justice ordinance as equivalent to the foreign national in the above three categories
- Special permanent residents
- Persons with no resident status *

This system applies to mid to long-term residents include people such as those who are married to a Japanese national as well as Japanese descendents ('nikkei), whose status of residence is 'Spouse or Child of Japanese National,' 'Long Term Resident,' etc., those working for an employer in Japan, (whose status is 'Engineer,' 'Specialist in Humanities/International Services,' etc.) as well as technical interns, students, and permanent residents. It will not apply to those visiting Japan for a short period of time as a tourist.

* While illegal residents can be registered under the present alien registration system, they cannot be registered under the new residency system. Any foreign national illegally staying in Japan is advised to immediately visit the nearest Regional Immigration Office and follow the necessary procedures. For more details, please see the 'Information on Procedures to Follow at Immigration Offices' on the Immigration Bureau's website. (http://www.moj.go.jp/nyuukokukanri/kouhou/nyukan_nyukan87.html)

Main changes from the residency management system in operation prior to July 9, 2012





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- Abolition of the alien registration system, issuance of a 'Residence Card'
- Introduction of a special re-entry permit system
- Maximum period of permitted length of stay extended to 5 years (please refer to <u>B Status of residence, 1</u> Confirmation of status of residence)

(1) Issuing a 'Residence Card'

A Residence Card will be issued to mid- to long-term residents, after July 9, 2012, when granted permission related to residence, such as landing permission, permission for a change in resident status or permission for an extension of the period of stay.

Locations where Residence Cards can be obtained immediately when a new landing permit is obtained are, for the time being, as follows.

- Narita Airport
- Haneda Airport
- Chubu Airport
- Kansai Airport

Mid- to long-term residents who have not been issued a Residence Card when they newly arrive in Japan, will have their card sent to them by registered post after they have registered their address at their local municipal office.



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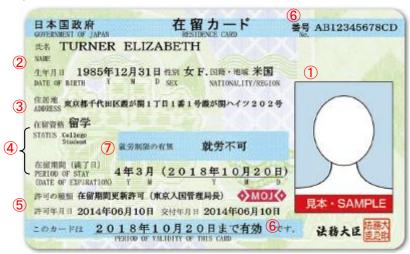
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Items listed on the Residence Card

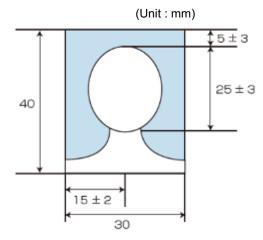
- ① Photograph
- 2 Name, date of birth, sex, nationality/region
- 3 Address (the address of your main place of residence in Japan)
- 4 Status, period of stay and date of expiration
- 5 Permit documents and date
- 6 Residence Card number, date of issue and period of validity date
- ① Limits on work (permitted / not permitted)
- 8 Main points for when a permit has been received for activities outside those permitted by the status

Note: All or part of the information printed on a residence card will be recorded in an IC chip embedded in the card to prevent the Residence Card from being forged.

(Front of the card)



You need to submit a photo as specified below when you submit an application or report that involves the issuance of a residence card.



- * Hats, etc. should be removed and face straight ahead
- * No background or shadows
- * Must be a clear image
- * Must be taken within 3 months prior to submission
- * Photo of the applicant only
- * Photo measurements are as above (excluding the (white) border). (Face measurements are from the top of the head (including hair) to the point of the chin)



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(Reverse side of the card)



If an application for an extension of the period of stay or for a change in resident status, the fact that the application is pending will be entered in this section.

Validity period of a Residence Card

Permanent resident:

16 years or older --- 7 years from the date of issuance

Under 16 years old --- until the individual's 16th birthday

Persons other than permanent residents:

16 years or older --- the expiration date of the period of stay

Under 16 years old --- the expiration date of the period of stay, or the individual's 16th birthday, or whichever comes first

(2) Special re-entry permit system

Foreign nationals holding a valid passport and Residence Card, who will be re-entering Japan within 1 year of their departure or prior to the expiry of their period of stay, whichever is the earlier, will, in principle, not be required to apply for a re-entry permit. There are no relief measures for stays abroad even 1 day more than 1 year when you have departed from Japan using a special re-entry permit.

It is necessary to present your Residence Card at departure as well as putting a check mark in the 'Departure with Special Re-entry Permission' box on the Disembarkation / Embarkation Card for reentrants to indicate your intention to reenter Japan. If you do not put a check mark, you will be considered as a person leaving Japan (someone returning to their home country) and will not be able to enter Japan unless you apply for a visa at a Japanese consulate overseas, etc.



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Sample of a DISEMBARKATION CARD / EMBARKATION CARD FOR REENTRANT (ED CARD)

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1-2 Procedures at port of entry

At the port of entry, when you have been granted a new landing permit as a mid- to long-term resident, you will be issued a Residence Card. However, for the time being, the Residence Card will be issued only at 4 airports: Narita, Haneda, Chubu and Kansai. If you have been issued a Residence Card and your residence in Japan has been decided, you should take the Card to the municipal office of the district where your residence is and make a notification of your residence address at the office.

If a Residence Card is not issued at the port of entry, and 'Residence Card will be issued at a later date' has been stamped on your passport and your residence in Japan has been decided, you should take your passport to the municipal office of the district of your residence and make a notification of your address. Your Residence Card will be sent to you later by registered post to the address you have registered..

1-3 Procedures at the municipal office

If your present residence address is not written on your Residence Card, you should bring it to the municipal office of the district of your residence and have the office write your address on the card. If you move to another city, ward, town, etc., you should go to the municipal office of your former address and make a report of your move out, and go to the municipal office of the district of your new address and make a report of moving in. If you present your Residence Card when you make a notification of moving in to a new address (if you move to an address in the same municipality, a notification of a change in address (tenkyo todoke)) at the municipal office, this will mean that the notification of change in address (jukyochi no henko todokede) has been simultaneously made to the Immigration Bureau.



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1-4 Procedures at the Regional Immigration Office

- * The following applications and reports must be made. A new residence card will be issued for (1)–(3)
- (1) When a change in one's name, date of birth, sex, nationality/region occurs, a report must be made within 14 days.
- (2) Permanent residents (Residence Card validity period is 7 years from issuance) and persons under 16 years old whose validity period on their Residence Card is their 16th birthday, should make an application for a renewal of the validity period of their Residence Card prior to the expiration of the validity period on their Card.
- (3) When a Residence Card has been lost, stolen or destroyed, an application must be made within 14 days.
- (4) For people who have a working status, are overseas students, technical intern trainees or trainees, when the organization they are affiliated to changes; for people whose status is that of spouse 'Spouse of a Japanese National' or 'Spouse of a Permanent Resident', etc., when they are separated from their spouse by either divorce or death, a report must be made within 14 days
 - * When a permit for renewal of period of stay or a permit for a change in residence status are given, a new Residence Card will be issued.



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1-5 Please note

(1) Legal obligation to make a notification

You are legally bound to notify the Immigration Bureau (Regional Immigration Office) of any matter upon which your residence status is based. These matters must be reported within 14 days. If they are not reported within this period, you are liable to be penalized by law.

Persons holding a working resident status are obliged to report when they change their place of employment. Persons married to a Japanese national or permanent resident, or those who as a spouse reside as dependant of a person involved in designated activities must report separation either by divorce or by death. Notification of your address must be made at the municipal office of where you live. (Refer to <u>5-2 notifications related to circumstances of residence</u>)

(2) Legal obligation to carry your Residence Card at all times

Since the Residence Card must be carried at all times, you must have it with you even if you are in possession of your passport. If a police officer or immigration officer asks you to show your Residence Card, you must do so. If you fail to carry or refuse to show your card, you will be liable to be penalized by law.

(3) Reasons for revocation of status of stay, reasons for forceful repatriation, penalization

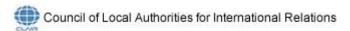
Related to (1) and (2) above, below are listed new reasons for revocation of status of stay, reasons for forceful repatriation and penalties.

Regarding the crime of encouraging illegal employment, an employer, even if they are unaware of illegal employment activities of their employee, will be punished for negligence.

Newly added reasons for revocation of status of stay

- (a) Illegally acquiring a Special Permission to Stay in Japan
- (b) When a person staying in Japan as a spouse with a (Spouse or Child of a Japanese National, etc.), (Spouse or Child of a Permanent Resident) status of stay has failed to continue to engage in the activities of a person with the status of spouse for over 6 months while residing in Japan
 - * Regarding examples of when a status of stay is not revoked when there are justifiable reasons for a person with the status of spouse not engaging in spousal activities, etc. http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/newimmiact_1/info/120703_01.html
- (c) When there is no justifiable reason for not having registered one's address, or when a false registration has been made.
 - * Regarding examples when a status of stay is not revoked when there are justifiable reasons for not having registered one's address, etc.

http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/newimmiact 1/info/120703 02.html





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(d) When a person staying in Japan with the status of residence (listed in the Appended Table I of the Immigration Control Act), which allows the person to undertake certain activities, has in fact failed to engage in the stated activities and undertakes other activities or intends to undertake other activities.

Newly added reasons for forceful repatriation

- (a) Forgery, etc. of a Residence Card
- (b) When one has been sentenced to imprisonment or a more severe penalty for fraudulent registration, etc.
 - * Even if an employer not aware that the foreign employee is working illegally, they will be punished for negligence, etc. for not confirming if the foreign employee has a working status of stay.

 If the employer is a foreign national, it should be noted that the crime of encouraging illegal employment is liable to be penalized by forceful repatriation.

Newly added penalization

- (a) Making fraudulent or illegal notifications of any of the notifications required for mid- to long-term residents, or for the illegal receipt, possession or not showing the Residence Card
- (b) Forgery, etc. of the Residence Card
- (c) A person who landed, receiving a landing permit, or a person who is given a permit for a change in residence status, a permit for renewal of period of stay or a permit for permanent residence, etc. by deceit or other wrongful means.

■References:

Ministy of Justice, Immigration Bureau

'To all foreign nationals residing in Japan - Beginning on Monday, July 9, 2012, Start of a new residency management system!'

http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/newimmiact 1/pdf/NewResidencyManagementSystem-(EN).pdf)



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2 About the Basic Resident Registration for foreign residents

2-1 Outline of the system

Until now, the registration of a foreign resident's address was made with alien registration. However, with the abolition of the Alien Registration Act and partial amendment to the Basic Resident Registration Act, foreign residents will be recorded on the Basic Resident Register in the same way as Japanese nationals.

With the above changes, foreign residents will also have a Resident Record (*Juminhyo*) made. This will make administrative procedures at local municipal offices simpler and more convenient.

Main changes are as below:

- It will be possible to have a certificate (Resident Record Juminhyo no utsushi) listing all members of a household consisting of Japanese and foreign nationals issued.
- Submitting a notification of a change of address will automatically update your address for the National Health Insurance, etc.
- Until now, notification of changes in residence status or period of stay needed to be made at both the Regional Immigration Office and local municipal office, however, notifications need to be made only at the Regional Immigration Office.
- Under the Basic Resident Registration Act, agents will be able to submit notifications such as 'moving-in' or 'change in address' etc. on your behalf.



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2-2 Foreign residents for whom a Resident Record is made and items listed on the Resident Record

A Resident Record (*Juminhyo*) is created for the following foreign nationals:

- Mid- to long-term residents (those who have been issued a Residence Card)
- Special permanent residents
- Persons who have been granted landing permission for temporary refuge or a temporary residence permit
- Persons who have stayed beyond their period of stay due to birth, or because they have lost their Nationality

Items listed on the Resident Record (Juminhyo kisaijiko) (of mid- to long-term residents)

- 1) Full name
- 2 Date of birth
- 3 Sex
- (when the record is for the householder) Householder (when the record is for a person other than the householder) Full name of the householder and the person's relationship to the householder
- S Address (or if you have moved to this address, the address and the date you actually moved to the address)
- (if you have moved into the district) Date of notification of moving to address, and the previous address
- Items related to the insured person's National Health Insurance (Kokumin Kenko Hoken) status
- 8 Items related to the insured person's Elderly Citizens Medical (Insurance) (Koki-koreisha Iryo) status
- Items related to the insured person's Nursing Care Insurance (Kaigo Hoken) status
- ① Items related to the insured person's National Pension (Kokumin Nenkin) status
- (1) Items related to receiving a Child Allowance
- ① Items related to Rice Rations
- (3) Resident Code (number) (will be entered from July 8, 2013)
- Other official items (commonly used name, etc.)
- (15) Nationality/region.
- (b) The date the person became a foreign resident
- The fact that the stated person is a mid- to long-term resident, etc.
- (18) The following items, as stated on the Residence Card; residence status, period of stay, date of expiry of period of stay, Residence Card number, etc.



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(Example of a Resident Record [Juminhyo] form)



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2-3 Please note

The full name on the Resident Record will be the same as that on the Residence Card. The name on the Residence Card will be as it is written in the (Roman) alphabet on your passport, and will be written in the same way on the Resident Record.

For people who come from countries that use Chinese characters, their names will, in principle, be written in the (Roman) alphabet, however, Chinese characters can be added. The Chinese characters that can be used are characters from the stipulated range of orthographic characters.

■References:

Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

'A New Resident Registration System for Foreign Residents Will Begin July 2012!' (Poster/Leaflet)

Japanese

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Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

'Gaikoku-jin jumin ni kakaru Jumin Kihon Daicho Seido ni tuite' (details)

(About the Basic Resident Registration System for foreign residents)

Japanese

http://www.soumu.go.jp/main_sosiki/jichi_gyousei/c-gyousei/zairyu/index.html

English

http://www.soumu.go.jp/main_sosiki/jichi_gyousei/c-gyousei/zairyu/english/index.html

Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications [From July 8, 2013, the Basic Resident Registration Network (Juki Net) will come into operation for foreign residents. Also, foreign residents will be able to obtain a Juki Card (residence identification card)]

Japanese

http://www.soumu.go.jp/main_sosiki/jichi_gyousei/c-gyousei/pdf/121130_01.pdf

English

http://www.soumu.go.jp/main_sosiki/jichi_gyousei/c-gyousei/pdf/130201_english.pdf



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3 Confirming the content of registered details and having certificates issued

3-1 Confirming the content registered details of resident records and having certificates issued

By having a copy of your Residence Record (juminhyo) or a certificate of details listed on the Resident Record (juminhyo kisai jiko shomeisho) (a certificate of only required details) issued, you can confirm the details recorded on the Basic Resident Record (juminhyo).

You can have a copy of your Resident Record (juminhyo) or a certificate of details listed on the Resident Record (juminhyo kisai jiko shomeisho) issued when you require documents of proof of identification or of your address in Japan for acquiring a status of stay, employment, etc. The individual (you) or a member of your family can apply for these documents at the municipal office. If another person is to make an application, in principle, a letter of proxy is required.

Required documents	Place where to make an	Service fees
	application or enquiry	
1 Application form for issuing a		
copy of a Resident Record		
(juminhyo) (forms are		
available at the municipal		Fee charged.
office)		Fee varies depending on the
2 Identification papers of the	Municipal office of the area of	municipal office and the number
person making the	your residence	of people in the family which for
application		whom a copy is required (about
		200 yen-600 yen).
(When a proxy is making an		
application)		
3 A letter of proxy		



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3-2 Confirming the content details of alien registration and having certificates issued

After the introduction of the revised immigration control system, alien registration records are kept by the Ministry of Justice, Immigration Bureau, and in accordance with article 12 of the act related to the protection of personal information held by government offices (gyoseikikan no hoyusuru kojin joho no hogo ni kansuru horitsu), an application for disclosure of information can be made. The office in charge is: Ministry of Justice, Minister's Secretariat, Secretarial Division, Personal Information Protection Office.

For details, see The Ministry of Justice's Website's section

http://www.moj.go.jp/hisho/bunsho/hisho02 00016.html.



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4 Procedures for change in address and family composition

It is necessary to carry out procedures at the municipal office when there is a change in the address or family composition which has been registered in the Resident Register. Since the term allowed for making each notification is set, you should try not to be late.

In principle it is the individual or the head of the family who should make an application at the municipal office.

4-1 Change in address

When the address of mid- to long-term residents changes, a notification of a notification of moving out (tenshutsu todoke), moving in (tennyu todoke), and/or a notification of change in address (tenkyo todoke). Besides this, a notification of a change in address (jukyochi henko todokede) must be made. However, if the Residence Card of all members of the family are presented when making a notification of moving in or notification of change of address, a Notification of Address form (jukyochi todokede-sho) is not required. Basic procedures are explained below.

(1) Moving-out notification (tenshutsu todoke)

Before you move address, go to the municipal office for where you live and make a moving-out notification (tenshutsu todoke). When you have made a moving-out notification, a moving-out certificate (tenshutsu shomei-sho) will be issued.

Who can make the notification	Required documents (examples)	Where to make notifications and inquiries	From / until	Service fees
1 The individual or head	1 Moving-out notification (forms			
of the family 2 A family member of the	available at municipal office) 2 Documents that can prove to the	The municipal		
same family as the	staff at the office the identity of the	office of the area of		
individual	person making the notification	your previous	Before you	No fees
3 A proxy who has	3 (When a proxy is making the	address	have moved	charged
received a letter of	notification)	(notification may be		
proxy from the	A letter of proxy written by the	possible by post)		
individual	individual (the person who has	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
	moved out)			



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(2) Moving-in notification (tennyu todoke) / notification of change in address (jukyochi no henko todokede)

When you move to an address in a municipality outside the one you live in, a moving-in notification (tennyu todoke) and change in address notification (jukyochi henko no todokede) must be made within 14 days of moving address at the municipal office of the address you have moved to.

Who can make the notification	Required documents (examples)	Where to make notifications and inquiries	From / until	Service fees
1 The individual or head of the family 2 A family member of the same family as the individual 3 A proxy who has received a letter of proxy from the individual	1 Moving-in notification (forms available at municipal office) 2 The Residence Card of all members moving in, (including Alien Registration Cards deemed equivalent) 3 (when an existent family is moving in, for all family members other than the head of the family) Documents showing their relationship to the head of the family 4 Certificate of moving out (tenshutsu shomeisho) (issued by the municipal office of where you have lived until the present) 5 Documents that can prove to the staff at the office the identity of the person making the notification 6 (When a proxy is making the notification) A letter of proxy written by the individual (the person who has moved)	The municipal office of the area of your new address	Within 14 days of changing address	No fees charged

^{*} The new address must be written on the Residence Card at the municipal office for the new address. If you have lost your Residence Card, mid- to long-term residents should go to the Immigration Office and apply for a reissuance of a Residence Card.

(3) Change of address notification (tenkyo todoke) / Notification of change of address (jukyochi no henko todokede) (for mid- to long-term residents)

When you have moved to a new address within the same municipality, you should make a change of address notification (tenkyo todoke) and change of address notification (jukyochi henko no todokede) at the municipal



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^{*} The new address must be written on the Residence Card at the municipal office for the new address. If you have lost your Residence Card, mid- to long-term residents should go to the Immigration Office and have a Residence Card reissued.



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4-2 In the case of marriage, divorce

(Refer to C Marriage/Divorce)

A notification of marriage (kon'in todoke) or notification of divorce (rikon todoke) should be made at the municipal office of the address of either party of the marriage or divorce.

If one party or both parties of the marriage or divorce are foreign nationals, a notification should be made with the Regional Immigration Bureau and the embassy/consulate of foreign national's home country.

4-3 When a child is born

(Refer to <u>B Status of residence</u>, <u>2-8 Acquisition of status of residence</u>, <u>H Childbirth/Childcare 2 Birth notification</u> and acquisition of nationality)

A birth notification (shussho todoke) should be made at the municipal office where the child was born or the municipal office of the notifying person (guardian, etc.).

If one or both parents are a foreign nationals a notification should be made with the Regional Immigration Office and the embassy/consulate of foreign national's home country.

A child born in Japan, can have a Resident Record made for up to 60 days after birth as a person overstaying due to birth.

For a child of a mid- to long-term resident, if the child is to stay in Japan for 61 days or more, an application to acquire a status of residence should be made within 30 days of birth at the nearest Regional Immigration Office.

A birth certificate (shussho shomeisho) and notification of birth acceptance certificate (shussho todoke juri shomeisho) should be attached.

If after a notification of birth, a copy of the Resident Record (juminhyo) or a certificate of items listed on the Resident Record (juminhyo kisai jiko shomei-sho) is presented when making an application for the acquisition of a status of residence, after acquiring a status of residence, making a notification of address again at the municipal office will not be required.

4-4 When there is a death

(Refer to D Other notifications 4 Death notification)

A death notification (shibo todoke) should be made at the municipal office where the person died or the municipal office of the notifying person (guardian, etc.). The dead person's Residence Card should be returned to the nearest Regional Immigration Office and the embassy/consulate of the dead person should be notified.



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5 Notifications and procedures related to the Residence Card

5-1 Re-issuance of the Residence Card

When a Residence Card has been lost, stolen or lost in a fire or other disaster, an application for its reissue should be made within 14 days.

If the Card or certificate has been soiled or torn, etc. an application for reissue can be made.

Mid- to long-term residents

Required documents	Where to make applications and inquiries	From/until	Service fee
1 Application for Re-issuance of a Residence Card 2 Passport or Status of residence certificate (zairyu shikaku shomeisho) 3 Photograph - 4cm high x 3cm wide - taken within 3 months - upper body, no hat * not required for people under 16 years 4 Residence Card (if you have one) 5 Documents (ishitsu todokede shomeisho, tonan todokede shomeisho, risai shomeisho) to prove the loss of the Resident Card (when the Card has been lost) 6 Permission to engage in an activity other than that permitted by the status of residence previously granted (when permission to engage in another activity has been acquired) 7 Present personal identification documents (when an application is made by an application agent) etc.	Applications be made at: the Regional Immigration Office with jurisdiction of the area of your address Inquiries to be made at: the Regional Immigration Office with jurisdiction of the area of your address, or a foreign residence general information center (please refer to B4 Inquiries concerning status of residence)	(When the Card, etc., has been lost, etc.) Within 14 days from when the Card was lost (When the Card has been soiled etc.) No term fixed (Within 14 days from when an order to make an application for re-issuance has been received (Request for optional renewal) No term fixed	(Loss, etc.) (Soiled, etc.) No fee charged (Request for optional renewal) 1,300 yen



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5-2 Notification of changes other than those of address

For mid- to long-term residents, when there is a change in the date of birth, sex nationality/region, procedures for notification of changes must be carried out with 14 days from the date of change at the Regional Immigration Office whose jurisdiction is covers the area you live in. Procedures for changes in period of stay or status of residence must also be made at the Regional Immigration Office. Procedures cannot be made at the municipal office.

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5-3 Notifications related to affiliated organizations (company, school/college, etc.) & to spouse

Depending on the residence status, notification of a change in the name or address of the school/college you attend, the name or address of the company you work for, or when you stop attending the school/college or stop working, or when you have transferred, or when you are separated from your spouse by divorce or death must be reported within 14 days.

(1) Notifications related to accepting organizations

Those to whom making a notification of a change are mid- to long-term residents who hold any of the following statuses of residence: "Professor", "Business Manager", "Legal / Accounting Services", "Medical Services", "Instructor", "Intra-company Transferee", "Technical Intern Training", "College Student", "Trainee".

* However, this applies only to those who, after July 9, 2012, received a landing permit, a permit for a change in status of residence, a renewal of a status of residence, etc.

Regarding accepting organizations (your place of employment or the school/college you attend in Japan), when a change in the name of the organization, a change in its address, or if it becomes extinguished, if you have left the organization or if you have transferred from the organization, a form of notification (todokede-sho) must be brought to the office of the Regional Immigration Bureau whose jurisdiction covers the area of your residence within 14 days, or make a notification by post to the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau.

* If you have left and transferred organizations, both 'leaving' and 'transfer' notifications are required.

When making a notification at a Regional Immigration Bureau office:

Bring your Residence Card and relevant notification forms to the (district or branch office of the) Regional Immigration Bureau whose jurisdiction covers the area of your residence.

When making a notification by post:

Send the relevant notification forms with a copy of your Residence Card to the following address.

Also, please write in red "Todokede-sho Zaichu" (Notification Enclosed) on the front of the envelope.

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Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau, Residence Management Information Department, Notifications Desk

5-5-30 Konan, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-8255



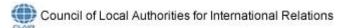
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Source: Ministry of Justice NOTIFICATION OF THE ACCEPTING ORGANIZATION notification form (Change of the organization, Change in the address of the organization, Extinguishment of the organization)





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(2) Notifications related to contracting organizations

Notifications apply to those who hold any of the following statuses of residence: "Researcher", "Engineer / Specialist in Humanities / International Services", "Entertainer" or "Skilled Labor"

* However, this applies only to those who, after July 9, 2012, received a landing permit, a permit for a change in status of residence, a renewal of a status of residence, etc.

Regarding contracting organizations (your place of employment in Japan), when a change in the name of the organization, a change in its address, or if it becomes extinguished, if the contract is terminated, or if a new contract is concluded, a notification form (todokede-sho) must be brought to the office of the Regional Immigration Bureau whose jurisdiction covers the area of your residence within 14 days, or make a notification by post to the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau.

* If you conclude an new contact after your contract has been terminated, both 'termination of contract' and 'new contract concluded' notifications are required.

When making a notification at a Regional Immigration Bureau office:

Bring your Residence Card and relevant notification form(s) to the (district or branch office of the) Regional Immigration Bureau whose jurisdiction covers the area of your residence.

When making a notification by post:

Send the relevant notification form(s) with a copy of your Residence Card to the following address.

Also, please write in red "Todokede-sho Zaichu" (Notification Enclosed) on the front of the envelope.

(Forwarding address)

Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau, Residence Management Information Department, Notifications Desk

5-5-30 Konan, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-8255

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Source: Ministry of Justice NOTIFICATION OF THE CONTRACTING ORGANIZATION

(Change in name, change in address, extinguishment of the organization)



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(Termination of the contract with the organization)





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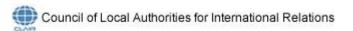
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(Contracting organization: new conclusion)
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Source: Ministry of Justice NOTIFICATION OF THE CONTRACTING ORGANIZATION

(Conclusion of a new contract with the organization)





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(3) Notifications related to spouse

Those who are required to make notifications are mid- to long-term residents who are spouses residing with the residence status of "Dependent", "Designated Activities (c) (designated researcher's, etc. family stay activities)", "Spouse of a Japanese National" or "Spouse of a Permanent Resident".

* However, this applies only to those who, after July 9, 2012, received a landing permit, a permit for a change in status of residence, a renewal of a status of residence, etc.

When separation occurs due to divorce or death, a notification must be made within 14 days at the Regional Immigration Bureau office for the area you live in. or by post with the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau.

When making a notification at a Regional Immigration Bureau office:

Bring your Residence Card and relevant notification form(s) to the (district or branch office of the) Regional Immigration Bureau whose jurisdiction covers the area of your residence.

When making a notification by post:

Send the relevant notification form(s) with a copy of your Residence Card to the following address.

Also, please write in red "Todokede-sho Zaichu" (Notification Enclosed) on the front of the envelope.

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Source: Ministry of Justice NOTIFICATION OF RELATIONSHIP WITH SPOUSE type of form (Divorce from spouse / Bereavement of spouse)



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5-4 Returning a Residence Card

When a Residence Card becomes null and void, it must soon be returned to the Minister of Justice.

Similarly, an Alien Registration Certificate (card) which is deemed equivalent to a Residence Card must also be returned.

- When you no longer become a mid- to long-term resident:

within 14 days to the Minister of Justice

- When the validity period expires:

within 14 days to the Minister of Justice

- When you have received a new Card:

immediately to the Minister of Justice

- When you do not receive a reentry permit (including a reentry equivalent permit):

immediately to the Minister of Justice

- When you have not reentered Japan by the expiry date of the reentry permit:

within 14 days to the Minister of Justice

- When the old invalid Card has been found, after a new Card has been received after an application for a reissuance of a new Card:

within 14 days of finding the old Card to the Minister of Justice

- When the card holder has died:

within 14 days from when a member of the family/cohabitant has dies (for from the day the Card was found) to the Minister of Justice

The method for returning the Card is to bring it directly to the Regional Immigration Bureau office, or send it by post to the address below.

(Address to send by post)

*Please write '在留カード返納 (Return of Residence Card)' on the front of the envelope.

Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau, Odaiba Branch Office

Tokyo Kowan Government Offices 9FI.

2-7-11 Aomi, Koto-ku, Tokyo 135-0064)

Tel: 03-3599-1068