

March 19, 2020

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

Important Notice on Visa Restrictions
for Strengthening Border Measures
to prevent the spread Novel Coronavirus

On 18 March 2020, the Government of Japan decided to further strengthen the border security measures against the spread of Novel Coronavirus infections as follows;

1. The validity of single entry visa and multiple entry visa, including diplomatic and official visa of Japan, which have been issued by Embassies, Consulates-General and Consulates of Japan in the member countries of Schengen Agreement*, Andorra, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Ireland, Monaco, Romania, San Marino, the United Kingdom and Vatican by March 20, 2020 will be temporarily suspended.

*Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland

2. The application of visa exemption arrangements for the countries listed in paragraph 1 above will also be temporarily suspended.
3. The foregoing measures of 1 and 2 will be implemented from 0:00 am on March 21, 2020 (JST) until the end of April, 2020. The period can be renewed.

We would appreciate it very much if your Team could notify all related airlines that they should inform all concerned passengers of those measures in order for them to avoid arriving in Japan without proper documents.

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