

New Measures to Strengthen Border Control  
to Prevent the Spread of Novel Coronavirus

May 14, 2020

1. Additional designation of areas subject to the entry ban

Designating the entire areas of 13 countries listed below\* as areas subject to the entry ban. Banning the entry of foreigners who have visited the areas within the last 14 days unless there are special circumstances.

\* Azerbaijan, Uruguay, Kazakhstan, Cabo Verde, Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Colombia, Sao Tome and Principe, Equatorial Guinea, Bahamas, Honduras, Mexico, Maldives

Note 1: As a consequence of the designation above, 100 countries and regions are subject to the entry ban in total.

Note 2: Foreigners with the status of residence of "Permanent Resident", "Spouse or Child of Japanese National", "Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident" or "Long Term Resident", who have departed Japan with Re-entry Permission by May 15, are treated, in principle as persons in special circumstances. This, however, is not applicable to foreigners who depart Japan on or after May 16. The "Special Permanent Resident" is not in the scope of the entry ban.

2. Strengthened quarantine

Conducting PCR tests for arrivals who have visited the countries listed in paragraph 1 above within 14 days prior to their entry into Japan.

The measures described in paragraph 1 and 2 above will be implemented from 0:00 am (JST) on May 16 and remain in place for a period. The measures will also be applied to those who will depart before the launch of these measures and arrive in Japan after their introduction.

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