

Immigration Services Agency, December 1, 2020

For foreign nationals who are unable to return to their home country due to the COVID-19 pandemic and wish to work (part-time) to maintain their livelihood in Japan

It has been decided to permit foreign nationals who are unable to return to their home country or place of residence due to the COVID-19 pandemic and have difficulty maintaining their livelihood in Japan to work (part-time) up to 28 hours a week.

Those who meet the following two requirements the requirements in 2. below and wish to work (part-time) are required to apply for permission to engage in activities other than those permitted under the status of residence previously granted at the regional immigration services office.

1. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITY OTHER THAN THAT PERMITTED UNDER THE STATUS OF RESIDENCE PREVIOUSLY GRANTED (See here for details.)

2. Requirements

- (1) Those who are unable to work with the current status of residence
- (2) Those who have difficulty returning to their home country
- (3) Those who have difficulty maintaining their livelihood until they return to their home country because they cannot expect support from their family in Japan or organizations to which they belong.

3. Documents to be submitted

- (1) APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITY OTHER THAN THAT PERMITTED UNDER THE STATUS OF RESIDENCE PREVIOUSLY GRANTED
- (2) A document confirming that there is a reasonable reason for the difficulty

to return to home country (There is no need for submission if the reason is included in the latest application for permission to change the status of residence, etc.)

(3) Statement of reasons (See here for the sample.)