

Certificate of Testing for COVID-19

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1. Currently, in principle, all travelers, including Japanese nationals, who are entering Japan will be required to have obtained a Certificate of Testing for COVID-19 from a medical facility or other facilities in the country/region of stay proving a negative test result having undergone a test for COVID-19 (the novel coronavirus) within 72 hours prior to departing from the country/region of stay from the standpoint of preventing and controlling epidemics.

2. As a general rule, please use the specified format for the Certificate of Testing for COVID-19. It is possible to use your own format if there is no medical facility corresponding to the specified format, but your own format must contain the same content as described in the specified format.

Please see [this website \(Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare\)](#) for the information about the specified format and what is required to be described in the format (Note 1).

3. Please show or submit your Certificate of Testing for COVID-19 to the quarantine office after arriving in Japan. In case of a foreign national who has a history of staying in an area which is subject to denial of landing, it is required to submit the original or a copy of the Certificate of Testing for COVID-19 to the immigration inspector after showing it to the quarantine office (Note 2).

If you are unable to submit a Certificate of Testing for COVID-19, you will be subject to denial of landing pursuant to the Quarantine Act.

In addition, if a foreign national has a history of staying in an area which is subject to denial of landing, the foreign national will be subject to denial of landing pursuant to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act. If a foreign national is deemed to have received landing permission by submitting a falsified Certificate of Testing for COVID-19 or other documents, the foreign national may be subject to the procedures for revocation of the status of residence and the deportation procedures based on the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition

Act.

(Note 1) Please consult with Embassies or Consulates or Consular Office of Japan in departing countries in case you are in exceptional circumstances such as having difficulty obtaining the specified format of the Certificate of Testing for COVID-19.

(Note 2) It would be required to submit a Certificate of Testing for COVID-19 on paper based document to the immigration inspector on arrival.
If you have above a document as electronic data, please be sure to prepare a printed one in advance.

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