

Application for Extension of Period of Stay

a.k.a Visa Renewal

**GIFU JETS** 

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#### **Online Residence Procedures**

- From March 16<sup>th-</sup> it's now become possible to perform several residence procedures online if one possess a **My Number Card**.
- Requires a PC, specialist equipment, and software to register, as the computer needs to be able to scan the My Number Card using an IC Card Read/Writer. Furthermore, no full foreign-language explanations for the system exist.
- You can check out what's available so far here: https://www.moj.go.jp/isa/applications/guide/onlineshinsei.html

#### Visa renewal information and what to expect:

Information about the Application for extension of period of stay

https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/procedures/16-3.html

- Application Period: before the end of your period of stay. Approximately 3 months before expiration date. You will need to renew at the end of your third year (Verify your dates just in case)
- You will go to the immigration office on two separate visits:

1<sup>st</sup> Visit- Application

2<sup>nd</sup> Visit- Visa release (You will pay 4,000 yen for the revenue stamp)

- The BOE has to fill out a page of the form.
- Standard processing period: 2 weeks to one month

# Preparation for the 1<sup>st</sup> visit

Application for Extension of Period of Stay form in <a href="https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/procedur">https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/procedur</a>

es/16-3-1.html

 ALTs fall under Professor; Instructor. Download the <u>Excel</u> <u>file</u> so you can edit it.

(3) Highly Skilled Professional (i) (c) PDF B Excel & Foreign nationals working in business management as personnel possessing advanced expertise E.g., representative director or director of a company Professor; Instructor PDF Excel Research guidance or education at university E.g., university professors Language education at junior high or high school E.g., language instructor at junior high school Artist; Cultural Activities PDF Excel Financially compensated artistic activities E.g., composer; photographer

#### 2 Fill in the form correctly.



# SHS BOE / Organization section / page procedure:

ALT informs his/her
supervisor of the
Application for
Extension of Period of
Stay section/page to be
filled in by the BOE.

\*\*Do this 3 months BEFORE the expiration of your visa.

The ALT's Supervisor will email the JPA (Morikawa sensei) with the attached section/page to be completed.

\*\*Send ONLY the page that the BOE will fill in. DO NOT SEND EVERYTHING.

-The JPA / BOE will fill in the form and send it back to the ALT's supervisor.

\*\*It will take about one (1)
week for the BOE to accomplish
and return it.

-The supervisor will send it to his/her ALT.

For Municipal BOE JETs:
Ask your BOE. (ESID)

### SHS BOE / Organization section / page ITEM NO. 7:

7 就労予定期間	□ 定めなし	定めあり	期間	年	月)
Period of work	Non-fixed	Fixed	Period	Year	Month

Please note that this is just for the visa application, so it will NOT BIND you / the ALT to stay for five years. Ultimately, it will still be your / the ALT's decision to recontract or not.

For Municipal BOE JETs:
Ask your BOE. (ESID)

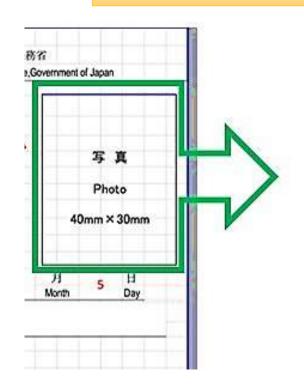
- For SHS JETs, this will be the end of the ALT's 5th contract plus one month to allow for status changes
- For example, if your *1st contract* starts on August 5, 2020, then the Period of Work on the visa application form will be indicated as September 2025.

## Notes on printing out your form:

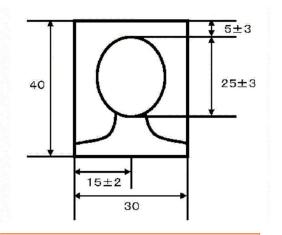
- Can be printed on standard Japanese A4 paper.
   (210mm x 297mm)
- To avoid reducing the size of the copy, uncheck "reduce page to fit paper size (K)" in the print dialog box before printing.

#### Get your picture taken and paste it on your application form.

Just visit a self-operated photo booth outside a supermarket or in a mall.







Write your name on the back of the photograph.



**Detailed explanation of the photograph requirements:** 

https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/guide/photo\_info.html

#### 2 Prepare all supporting documentation / requirements.



#### Your passport

\*\*It is recommended that you have a passport with more than 3 months left (more is better!)



Your residence card



**Your completed Application for Extension of Period of Stay** form (1 copy)

# Additional requirements that *might* be asked:

In principle, no other documents are required for Category 1.

- 4 Tax certificate (or tax exemption certificate) for individual inhabitant taxes and a tax payment certificate (showing gross income and taxes paid for one year) 1 copy of each
  - Issued by the ward office, city hall, or town office of the municipality where the applicant resides as of January 1.
  - If the certificate being submitted lists both one year of gross income and taxes due (including whether they were paid), no additional documents are necessary.
  - If issuance by the ward office, city hall, or town office where the applicant resides is not possible due to certain reasons, such as having only just entered Japan or having moved recently, inquire at your nearest Regional Immigration Services Bureau for guidance.
- Work based on a contract besides an employment agreement: Copy of contract related to work (contracts with all institutions if applicant works based on contracts with multiple institutions) 1 copy

#### 3 Visit your local immigration office.

#### The three places where you can apply:

### The Gifu Branch of the Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau



500-8812 Gifu Government Legal Complex Annex Bldg. 4F, 2-7-2, Mieji-cho, Gifu City, Gifu

\*\*in Gifu City, near Media Cosmos, not as busy as Nagoya The Toyama Branch (at Toyama Kitokito Airport)



739-8252
Toyama Airport Bldg.
1F, 30 Akigashima,
Toyama City, Toyama
Prefecture

The Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau



455–8601 5–18, Shohocho, Minato-ku, Nagoya City, Aichi

\*\*Not recommended, crowded and busy

#### Notes on your 1<sup>st</sup> visit:

 Make sure that you use your special leave.

In our contract...

(Special leave)

Article 11

(1 [unlabeled]) - (4)

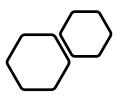
(1) Special leave shall be provided for the ALT for the periods set out in the following items: i - xix.



Any other time as designated by the Supervisor (e.g. for Foreigner Registration, visa-related applications): the period of time the Supervisor deems necessary.



The period of special leave specified in Section 1 above from Item 2 [ii.] to item 5 [v.] and in Item 18 [xviii.] and in Item 19 [xix.] is to be paid, and the period of Item 1 [i.] and that from Item 6 [vi.] to Item 17 [xvii.] is to be unpaid.



Bring a portable fan and/or cooling wipes!



## 1<sup>st</sup> Visit (The Gifu Branch)



- 1 Sign-in when you arrive (first floor).
- > You will get a **number slip** to hold onto and then return when you leave.
- The office is on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor (left side).



Get in line at the reception area ASAP. You will submit all your documents to the Immigration Officer and will be given a number slip.

> Wait to be called.

#### NOTICE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_Application No.:

Re: Your application for

- 1) Extension of period of stay 2) Acquisition of status of residence
- 3) Change of status of residence 4) Re-entry permit
- 5) Permanent residence 6) Permission to engage in additional activity
- 7) Certificate of authorization for employment

You are requested to appear at this office by\_\_\_\_\_bringing with them the items necessary for the final decision on the application. Since a failure to observe this deadline may result in your application being denied, you are advised that you should inform this office in advance if there are any unavoidable circumstances which may prevent you from appearing by the above date. Please take due note that you will not be permitted to stay in Japan if two months have passed from the expiration date of your period of stay without having received a disposition (stamp of approval).

If any circumstances have changed (e.g., a change in the place of employment, or divorce from a spouse) since the time of filing the application, you are advised that you should notify this office without delay.

Permission granted without such notification may result in revocation of your status of residence.

- 1. Passport or document in lieu of passport.
- 2. Residence card
- 3. Revenue stamp
- 4. Application Receipt
- 5. This notice of approval

 $\mp500\text{-}8812$  Gifu Legal General Building 4F, 2-7-2 Mieji-Cho Gifu City TEL 058(214)6168

Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau Gifu Branch Office

There is an English post card!



3 When you are called, you will be given a post card to fill in.

Write your name and address at the back side (Romaji is OK).

\*\* This postcard will be sent to you notifying you that your visa is ready for pick-up.



1<sup>st</sup> visit - Estimated time of completion:

10-15 mins

# Preparation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> visit

1 Download the Certificate of Payment Fee form in

https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/procedures/16-3.html

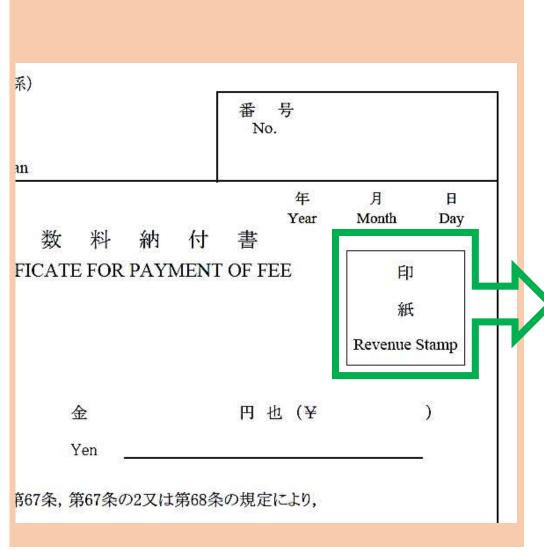
beside "Handling Fee"

 I recommend downloading the PDF File instead of the Excel because it is easier to edit / write on.





#### 2 Fill in the form correctly.



Stamp: National revenue stamp
Japanese name: 収入印紙, shuunyuu inshi



expense. This will NOT be reimbursed by our BOE/school.

円也(¥ 4,000) 金

Four thousand yen Yen

出入国管理及び難民認定法第67条,第67条の2又は第68条の規定により、

上記金額を

4 再入国(一回限り・数次有効)の許可 } 手数料として納付いたします。

In accordance with Article 67,67-2 or 68 of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act, I hereby pay the amount shown as fee for permission for

- Change of status of residence
  - Extension of period of stay

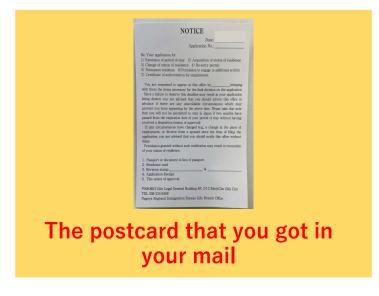
#### 3 Prepare all your documents.



Your passport



#### Your residence card





**Your completed Certificate of Payment Fee form** 

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Visit (The Gifu Branch)

1 Follow **instructions** 1 **and** 2 **in the 1<sup>st</sup> Visit guide**. (pp. 15 - 16 of this document)

They will need to make you a **new residence card**, so the process may take a while. They will **NOT** update the visa information in your passport, so **your residence card will be your visa**. Make sure you carry it with you when traveling internationally.

Your old residence card will be returned to you with a hole punched in it.

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2 Get your **new residence card**. Double check all the information before leaving.

CONGRATULATIONS

Ultimately, the Immigration Office decides on how long they will extend your visa. In the past, some JETs have been given 3-year extensions while some have only been given a year.

If you choose to stay a 5th year and have only been given a 1-year extension on your visa, you will need to repeat the process again a year after. (Double check the <u>expiration date</u> in your new residence card.)

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of completion:

10- 15 mins

# Toyama Branch

# Nagoya Branch

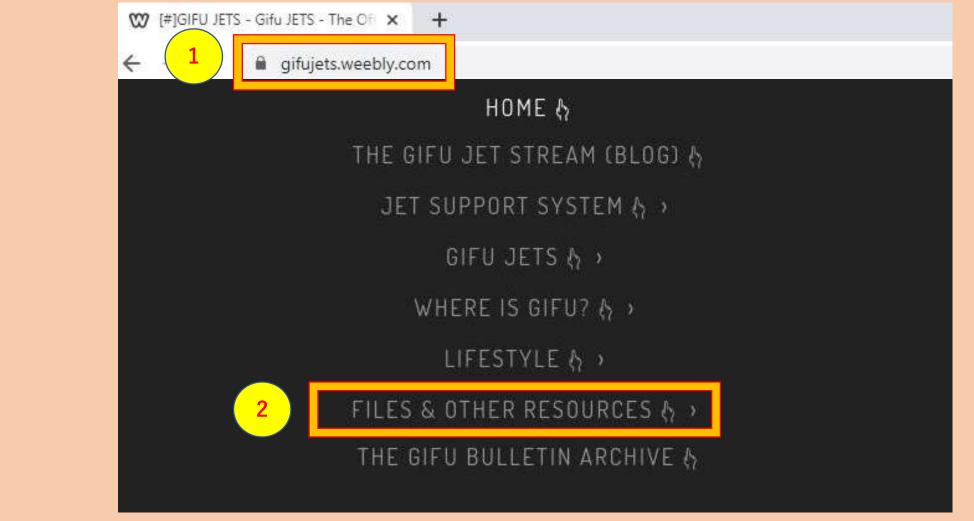
- same procedures as the Gifu Branch
- has a photo booth
- There is a store on the 2nd floor that sells National revenue stamps.
- same procedures as the Gifu Branch
- National revenue stamps are being sold at a window in this branch

\*\*It's still better to prepare your picture and stamp beforehand so you are worry-free when you visit!

### Q & A link

• https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/guide/kanri\_qa.html

#### File Location



#### **GBACK**

FILES & OTHER RESOURCES ∤

FILES FOR NEW JETS ₺

FILES FOR LEAVING JETS ₺

TRAINING RESOURCES (SDC FILES AND TEMPLATES)



