

## SHORT TERM STAY <Visiting Friends or Family/Relatives> (as of 15/12/2025)

\*Nationals from Russia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan must provide 2 visa application forms and 2 photos.

#One copy of document 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 **per person (children also require their own copy).**

### LIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1. A valid passport**
- 2. A valid Australian visa linked to your current passport number** - PRINT your Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) or Visa Grant Notice
- 3. One completed [Visa Application Form](#)**  
Please fill in all sections. If a question is not applicable, please put "N/A"
- 4. One recent passport photograph (taken within the last 6 months)**  
Australian standard-sized passport photo (4.5cm x 3.5cm) of good quality.  
If it is not a recent photo, please take a NEW photo and ensure it is printed on photo paper, NOT generic printing paper.
- 5. Flight schedule shown with either a printed off screenshot of intended flights or flight confirmation**  
A full flight schedule is required starting from Brisbane or Gold Coast, showing ALL transit destinations before and after Japan and returning to Brisbane or Gold Coast. If you will move to another state or will not be returning to Australia after your trip, please submit a letter specifying those details.
- 6. [Travel Itinerary \(Schedule of Stay\)](#)**  
Please complete this showing your daily activities **in detail for each day** while in Japan ("sightseeing" is NOT accepted, listing only the city is also NOT accepted).  
Your intended accommodation each day including name, address and phone number of hotel.
- 7. Bank account details** of your savings account covering the most recent **3 months** of **transaction records** up to the day of your application, including the current balance, current address and your full name. The current balance must show sufficient funds for the trip to Japan.
  - ✧ Any large amounts of deposits must be verified with extra documents
  - ✧ Constant transfers from your other account into savings will require you to also bring 3 months of the other account transaction records

\*\*For spouses or minors whose names are not on the bank records, proof of relationship (marriage certificate for spouse or birth certificate for children), copy of their passport and a [Letter of Guarantee](#) is required.\*\*

The above is also required for students whose parents transfer large sums of money.
- 8. [Letter of Invitation](#)** from the friends or the family/relatives whom you are visiting.
- 9. Documents to prove kinship to the inviter** such as a *kosekitohon*, birth certificate, marriage certificate etc. If you are visiting a friend, you must submit photos together to prove the friendship.
- 10. Copy of the inviter's passport and residence card (front and back)** for Non-Japanese inviters  
OR  
**Copy of the inviter's driver's licence (front and back) OR Proof of residence (*jyuminhyo*) certificate issued within the last 3 months (a copy is acceptable)** for Japanese inviters
- 11. A PRINTED copy of your current, valid passport (passport information page).**
- 12. A visa for the next country** that you will visit after Japan (if applicable)

**THE DOCUMENTS BELOW ARE ONLY REQUIRED IF THE  
INVITING PERSON IN JAPAN WILL PAY FOR YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES**

13. [Letter of Guarantee](#) from the friends or the family/relatives whom you are visiting.
  
14. **Bank account details** of the inviter's savings account covering the most recent 3 months of transaction records up to the day of your application, including the current balance and full name. The current balance must show sufficient funds for the trip to Japan.  
*Transaction lists printed out from online are acceptable as long as they show the above information.*
  
15. **Certificate of residence (jyuminhyo) from Japanese and non-Japanese inviters**  
Proof of residence of the person you are visiting in Japan (must be issued within the last 3 months)  
*A copy is acceptable.*
  
16. **Copy of the inviter's passport and Japanese Residence Card (front and back)** for non-Japanese inviters  
OR  
**Copy of the inviter's Japanese driver licence (front and back) OR Proof of Residence (jyuminhyo) certificate issued within the last 3 months (a copy is acceptable)** for Japanese inviters