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2 Extention of period of stay, change of status of residence, application for permission for permanent residence, permission to engage in an activity other than that permitted by the status of residence previously granted, re-entry permit, and acquisition of status of residence

2-7 Re-entry permits

In the event that a person with status of residence leaves Japan temporarily (for example on vacation), he or she must be granted a re-entry permit from his or her regional immigration bureau. Likewise, if you need temporary leave from Japan during your period of stay and intend to re-enter Japan, carry out the procedures for the "Re-entry permit" prior to departure, and there is no need to re-apply for a visa to stay in Japan with the same status of residence that you had prior to your departure when you enter Japan next time.

(1) What is the re-entry permit?

If a person possessing status of residence other than short-term residence (those who have entered Japan for a short period for purposes other than to become employed such as for tourism, business, visiting relatives and acquaintances etc.) leaves Japan temporarily without being granted a re-entry permit through the necessary procedures, he or she will lose the status of residence currently held.

(* Regarding the special re-entry permit system, refer to <u>A New Residency Management System for Foreign Residents, 1-1(2) Special re-entry permit system</u>)

(2) Single entry permits and multiple entry permits

There are two types of re-entry permit: single entry permits and multiple entry permits.

Single entry permit: Valid for one time

Multiple entry permit: Can be used any number of times within a limited period

(3) Date of expiration

The period of re-entry is limited to the period of stay of the residence, and is a maximum of 5 years (special permanent residents a maximum is 6 years). It is not permitted to exceed the period of stay. The application period for permission is up to prior to the expiry of your period of stay.

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Necessary documents	Where to submit application/enquiries	Until when	Fee
 Application for re-entry permit Passport Residence Card or special permanent resident certificate, etc. Personal identification documents, etc. (when an application is being made by a proxy) 	Where to submit application: Regional immigration bureau in the area where you live Enquiries: Regional immigration bureau in the area where you live, or a foreign residence general information center (please refer to "4 Inquiries concerning status of residence")	Apply within your period of stay, up to prior to the expiry of your period of stay	<single entry<br="">permit> 3,000 yen (stamp) <multiple entry permits> 6,000 yen (stamp) when permission is given</multiple </single>

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Source: Ministry of Justice <u>APPLICATION FOR RE-ENTRY PERMIT</u>

