

Schedule of Japan

Japan may require a natural person of an ASEAN Member State seeking entry and temporary stay under the terms and conditions set out in each Section of this Schedule of Japan to obtain an appropriate visa or its equivalent prior to entry.

Section 1

Short-Term Business Visitors of ASEAN Member States

Entry and temporary stay for a period not exceeding 90 days, which may be extended, shall be granted to a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who will stay in Japan without acquiring remuneration from within Japan and without engaging in making direct sales to the general public or in supplying services himself or herself, for the purposes of participating in business contacts including negotiations for the sale of goods or services, or other similar activities including those to prepare for establishing commercial presence in Japan.

Section 2

Intra-Corporate Transferees of ASEAN Member States

1. Entry and temporary stay for a period of up to five years, which may be extended, shall be granted to a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who:

- (a) has been employed by a public or private organisation that supplies services or invests in Japan, for a period not less than one year immediately preceding the date of his or her application for the entry and temporary stay in Japan;
- (b) is being transferred to a branch or representative office of that public or private organisation in Japan, or another public or private organisation constituted or organised in Japan owned or controlled by or affiliated with the former public or private organisation; and
- (c) will engage in one of the following activities during his or her temporary stay in Japan:
 - (i) activities to direct the branch or representative office as its head;
 - (ii) activities to direct the latter public or private organisation as its board member or auditor;

- (iii) activities to direct one or more departments of the latter public or private organisation; or
- (iv) activities which require technology or knowledge at an advanced level pertinent to natural or human sciences, including physical sciences, engineering, jurisprudence, economics, business management and accounting, or activities which require ideas and sensitivity based on culture of a country other than Japan, recognised under the status of residence of "Engineer/Specialist in Humanities/International Services" provided for in the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act (Cabinet Order No. 319 of 1951, as amended).

Note: For the purposes of this paragraph, a public or private organisation is "affiliated" with another public or private organisation when the latter can significantly affect the decision making of the former on finance and business policy.

2. The activities which require technology or knowledge at an advanced level pertinent to natural or human sciences referred to in subparagraph 1(c)(iv) mean the activities in which the natural person may not be able to engage without the application of specialised technology or knowledge of natural or human sciences acquired by him or her by, in principle, completing college education (i.e. bachelor's degree) or higher education.

Section 3

Natural Persons of ASEAN Member States Who Engage in Business Activities Which Require Technology or Knowledge at an Advanced Level on the Basis of a Personal Contract with Public or Private Organisations in Japan

1. Entry and temporary stay for a period of up to five years, which may be extended, shall be granted to a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who will engage in the business activities of supplying services during his or her temporary stay in Japan on the basis of a personal contract with a public or private organisation in Japan which correspond to:

- (a) activities which require technology or knowledge at an advanced level pertinent to natural or human sciences, including physical sciences, engineering, jurisprudence, economics, business management and accounting; or
- (b) activities which require ideas and sensitivity based on culture of a country other than Japan,

under the status of residence of "Engineer/Specialist in Humanities/International Services", whose scope is provided for in the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act.

2. The activities which require technology or knowledge at an advanced level pertinent to natural or human sciences referred to in subparagraph 1(a) mean the activities in which the natural person may not be able to engage without the application of specialised technology or knowledge of natural or human sciences acquired by him or her by, in principle, completing college education (i.e. bachelor's degree) or higher education.

Section 4 Investors of ASEAN Member States

Entry and temporary stay for a period of up to five years, which may be extended, shall be granted to a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who will engage in one of the following activities during his or her temporary stay in Japan:

- (a) activities to invest in business in Japan and manage such business;
- (b) activities to manage business in Japan on behalf of a person other than that of Japan who has invested in such business; or
- (c) conduct of business in Japan in which a person other than that of Japan has invested.

Section 5 Natural Persons of ASEAN Member States Who Engage in Professional Services

Entry and temporary stay for a period of up to five years, which may be extended, shall be granted to a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who is a legal, accounting or taxation service supplier qualified as specified in subparagraphs (a) through (j) under the laws and regulations of Japan and who will supply the respective services specified therein during his or her temporary stay in Japan:

- (a) legal services supplied by a lawyer qualified as "Bengoshi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (b) legal advisory services on law of jurisdiction where the service supplier is a qualified lawyer on condition that the service supplier is qualified as "Gaikokuho-Jimu-Bengoshi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (c) legal services supplied by a patent attorney qualified as "Benrishi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (d) legal services supplied by a maritime procedure agent qualified as "Kaijidairishi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (e) accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services supplied by an accountant qualified as "Koninkaikeishi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (f) taxation services supplied by a tax accountant qualified as "Zeirishi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (g) legal services supplied by a judicial scrivener qualified as "Shiho-Shoshi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (h) legal services supplied by an administrative scrivener qualified as "Gyosei-Shoshi" under the laws and regulations of Japan;
- (i) legal services supplied by a certified social insurance and labour consultant qualified as "Shakai-Hoken-Romushi" under the laws and regulations of Japan; or
- (j) legal services supplied by a land and house surveyor qualified as "Tochi-Kaoku-Chosashi" under the laws and regulations of Japan.

Section 6
Accompanying Spouse and Children

1. Entry and temporary stay shall be granted to a spouse and children accompanying a natural person of an ASEAN Member State who has been granted entry and temporary stay pursuant to Sections 2 through 5, in principle for the same period as the period of temporary stay granted to the natural person, provided that such spouse and children obtain maintenance from the natural person and engage in daily activities recognised under the status of residence of "Dependants" provided for in the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act.

2. A spouse who has been granted entry and temporary stay pursuant to paragraph 1 may, upon application, have his or her status of residence changed to that under which he or she is allowed to work, subject to the approval of the Government of Japan in accordance with the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act.

Note: For the purposes of this Section, the term "spouse" or "children" means spouse or children recognised as such in accordance with the laws and regulations of Japan.