

Application for Japan visa from the 1st Aug 2024

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1 Visa Application and Inquiries

From August 1st, 2024, onward, the Consulate-General of Japan in Dubai will entrust VFS Global with the facilitation of the Japan visa application process. The Consulate-General of Japan in Dubai will no longer accept visa applications directly from August 1st, with the exception of Diplomatic and Official visa application.

For all inquiries related to visa applications, we kindly request that you reach out directly to VFS Global.

Please check VFS Global website for the comprehensive information on visa application requirements, documentation, booking, opening hours, and processing times.

VFS Global

Address : WAFI Mall, Level 2, Falcon Phase 2, Umm Hurair 2, Dubai UAE

URL : <https://visa.vfsglobal.com/are/en/jpn/>

Phone: 971 42055627 (09:00 hrs – 17:00 hrs from Monday - Friday)

Email: For the residents of Abu Dhabi or Al Ain emirate, please send your queries to

info.japanauh@vfshelpline.com

Residents of Dubai/Sharjah/Ajman/Umm Al Quwain/Fujairah/Ras Al Khaimah emirate, please send your queries to info.japandxb@vfshelpline.com

Please be informed that the Consulate-General of Japan in Dubai is designated for Diplomatic/Official visa applicants, and some specific category applicants only.

All other visa categories should be applied for through VFS Global. This division of responsibility between VFS Global and the Consulate aims to facilitate efficient and prompt visa issuance.

We kindly urge applicants to refrain from requesting special treatment for direct acceptance of their applications at the Consulate-General. To maintain impartiality, such requests cannot be accommodated.

2 Visa examination period

The standard processing period, assuming the application content is complete, is 8 working days from the time of application submission to VFS Global to the earliest issuance of the visa. If the application is submitted with incomplete documents, the processing time will be extended. Therefore, it is advisable to thoroughly review all required documents prior to your application. Moreover, for cases necessitating comprehensive document examination, the processing time may span several months. Hence, it is recommended to apply for the visa well in advance to avoid any inconvenience.

3 The Consulate-General of Japan in Dubai accepts the visa application from the following.

- a) Diplomatic Passport Holder
- b) Special/Official Passport Holder
- c) Transfer of Japan visa

d) UAE Passport without any reference of the Nationality

e) Humanitarian Case

Please contact the Consulate for the appointment and required documents.

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