Visa Waiver Arrangements for Short-Term Stay based on Passport Registration System

The visa waiver arrangements for short–term stay for<u>nationals of the State of Qatar</u> commence from 2nd April 2023.

Nationals of the State of Qatar in possession of ICAO compliant e-passports with <u>a seal of</u> <u>"Visa Waiver Registration"</u> may enter Japan without obtaining a visa if the purpose of visit is <u>Short-Term Stay.</u>

A seal of "Visa Waiver Registration" will be issued at Embassies, Consulate-General or Consular offices of Japan. Once you obtained a seal of "Visa Waiver Registration", you are not required to apply for short-term visa for a period of validity of the seal (3 years or until the expiry date of your passport.).

Note: Nationals of the State of Qatar travelling to Japan must obtain either **a Seal of** "<u>Visa Waiver Registration</u>" (for not exceeding 30 days stay) or **a** <u>Visa</u> (for more than 30 days stay).

< Outline of the Visa Waiver Registration >

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Purpose of Visit:	Short-Term stay (including business purpose)
Duration of Stay:	30 days
Period of Validity:	3 years (or expiration date of the passport)
Application fee:	Free
Processing Time:	Registered passport can be collected on the next working day.
Requirements:	1) Application Form for Passport Registration
	2) Passport (ICAO compliant e-Passport)
	3) Passport Color Copy (the pages of status items)

*You must obtain a visa:

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- ➢ if the purpose of visit is not Short-Term Stay.

*Special/Diplomatic Passport Holders are exempted from obtaining a visa or a seal of "Visa Waiver Registration".