

# Japanese COVID-19 border measures change on March 1, 2022

The following information may change without notice, depending on the status of infections in Japan and overseas.

# 1. Change in quarantine period after entering Japan

- (1) Travelers who are entering or returning to Japan from a country or region designated as requiring quarantine at government-designated accommodations (hereinafter "designated country/region") and who have not had three doses of a COVID-19 vaccination will be required to quarantine for three days at accommodations designated by a quarantine station. If the results of a test taken at the accommodations are negative, they will not be required to quarantine after leaving the facility.
- (2) Travelers who are entering or returning to Japan from a designated country/region and who have a certificate confirming they have received three vaccination doses \*\* will be required to quarantine at home/accommodations of their choosing for seven days, in principle. However, if they take a self-test after three days after entering Japan and submit a negative result to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants, or HCO) where its status is confirmed, they will not be required to remain in quarantine after that.
- (3) Travelers who are entering or returning to Japan from a non-designated country/region and have not received three vaccination doses will be required to quarantine at home/accommodations of their choosing for seven days, in principle. However, if they take a self-test after three days after entering Japan and submit a negative result to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants, or HCO) where its status is confirmed, they will not be required to remain in quarantine after that.
- (4) Travelers who are entering or returning to Japan from a non-designated country/region and who have a certificate to confirm they have received three vaccination doses \*\* will not be required to quarantine at home/accommodations after entering Japan.
  - \* A valid vaccination certificate must be presented at the quarantine station at the time of entry (refer to page 2).
  - \* Please continue to monitor your temperature and health condition for ten days after you enter Japan.

# 2. Use of public transportation after entering Japan

If (2) and (3) in Item 1 above apply to you, you may use public transportation to travel to your home/accommodations to quarantine after entering Japan. However, you must take the shortest route and reach your home/accommodations within 24 hours of the test that was taken upon entering Japan (the time the sample was taken).

When using public transportation, please make every effort to prevent infection, including wearing a mask, sanitizing your hands, and avoiding the three C's (closed spaces, crowded places, and close-contact settings). You will need to install the MySOS app, as you may be contacted by the Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants (HCO).

- \* Follow any instructions received from a quarantine station or public health office if they tell you to continue your quarantine at home/ accommodations, etc.
- \* Some testing centers make take a few days to provide the results of the test you take on the third day or later, so please be sure to confirm the expected timing.
- \* Even if one of (1) to (4) above applies in your case, you will not be eligible for a shortened quarantine if you end up testing positive or become a person who has had close contact with the coronavirus.

## Change in quarantine period at home/accommodations after entering Japan

Arriving from	Valid vaccination certificate	Day 0 (entry date)	Days 1 to 3	Days 4 to 7	
Designate d country/ region? <u>YES</u>	NO	Test at airport quarantine	<ul> <li>Quarantine at government-designated accommodations</li> <li>Quarantine ends if test results at accommodation facilities on third day are negative when leaving</li> </ul>	No quarantine	
	YES (proof of triple vaccination with designated vaccines)	Test at airport quarantine	- Quarantine at home/accommodations (if not taking self-test after three days after entering Japan )		
		Test at airport quarantine	- Quarantine at home/accommodations - Take self-test after three days after entering Japan, submit result (if negative) to Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants (HCO)	Quarantine shortened if you receive notice of end of quarantine	
Designate d country/ region <u>NO</u>	NO	Test at airport quarantine	- Quarantine at home/accommodations (if not taking self-test after three days after entering Japan )		
		Test at airport quarantine	- Quarantine at home/accommodations - Take self-test after three days after entering Japan, submit result (if negative) to Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants (HCO)	Quarantine shortened if you receive notice of end of quarantine	
	YES (proof of triple vaccination with designated vaccines)	Test at airport quarantine	- No quarantine required		



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(3)

**(4**)

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- Please show your vaccination certificate at the quarantine station. At that time, the quarantine officer may take a copy of the certificate (or, in the case of an electronic version, a photo of your smartphone/device screen) to verify the contents of the certificate presented.
- The vaccination certificate is valid only if criteria 1 to 4 below are met.

#### The certificate must be issued by a government or public institution.

- \* A vaccination certificate issued in Japan must be one of the following:
  - Vaccination Certificate of COVID-19 issued by the Japanese government or a local government
  - Certificate of vaccination for COVID-19 issued by a local government
  - Record of vaccination for COVID-19 issued by a medical institution
  - Another certificate deemed equivalent to documents listed above

#### The following items must be indicated in Japanese or English:

Name, date of birth, vaccine name/manufacturer, date of vaccination, number of doses administered

other information that can be used to verify that the vaccination certificate is yours.

\* If the vaccination certificate is in a language other than Japanese or English, it may be considered valid if it is accompanied by a Japanese or English translation and the content can be confirmed.

\* If date of birth is not included in the certificate, it may still be considered valid if it contains your passport number or

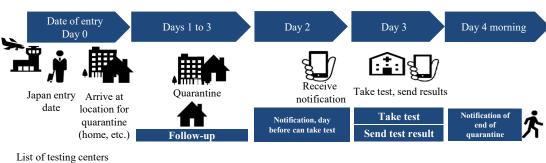
### The certificate must clearly indicate that you have received two doses from among the following vaccines (vaccine name/manufacturer):

- Comirnaty/Pfizer
- Vaxzevria/AstraZeneca
- · COVID-19 Vaccine Moderna/Moderna
- · Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine/Janssen
- \* For the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine/Janssen, one dose is considered equivalent to two doses.
- \* Doses will also be considered valid even if both are not the same vaccine.
- \* Regarding the application of measures based on Japan's Enhanced Border Measure (27), Comirnaty (manufactured by Fosun Pharma/BioNTech) and Covishield (manufactured by the Serum Institute of India with technology from AstraZeneca) will be treated as identical to Comirnaty/Pfizer and Vaxzevria/AstraZeneca, respectively.

### The certificate must clearly indicate that you have received at a third dose, with it being one of the following vaccines (vaccine name/manufacturer):

- · Comirnaty/Pfizer
- · COVID-19 Vaccine Moderna/Moderna
- \* Regarding the application of measures based on Japan's Enhanced Border Measure (27), Comirnaty (manufactured by Fosun Pharma/BioNTech) will be treated as identical to Comirnaty/Pfizer.

### Steps for shortening the quarantine period after entering Japan (for the shortest schedules - examples (2) and (3) on page 1)





\* The only recognized testing centers are the medical facilities or public health centers listed at the link on the left (and only PCR or quantitative antigen tests are accepted).

Use the QR codes to access the websites

X A trip to a testing center after three days after entering Japan to take a test to reduce your quarantine period is not considered an essential trip. Please go by private vehicle or means other than public transportation.

https://teachme.jp/111284/ manuals/15029540/

How to report

