

**Border Enforcement Measures (the State of Arizona no longer designated as “countries/regions with high concern of coronavirus variants”)**

Sept. 17, 2021

Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles

- The U.S. state of Arizona will no longer be designated as a country/region with coronavirus variants of special concern for border measures, which was implemented on June 4, 2021 and had asked all individuals entering Japan from Arizona to stay for three days at specific facilities designated by the Chief of the Quarantine Station.

For more details about the Sept. 17 announcement, please read: [https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/pdf/20210917\\_NewMeasuresforborderenforcement.pdf](https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/pdf/20210917_NewMeasuresforborderenforcement.pdf)

- With the designation having been rescinded, residents and travelers from Arizona and other U.S. states that had been subject to the designation, as of Monday, Sept. 20 at midnight will no longer be asked to stay for three days at specific facilities designated by the Chief of the Quarantine Station when they enter Japan, as long as they obtain a negative COVID-19 test result upon arrival. They will be subject to the 14-day self-quarantine at home or another location (for travel, individuals cannot use public transportation) upon arrival. Individuals entering Japan are still required to take a COVID-19 test conducted within 72 hours before departure and submit a Certificate of Negative Test Result.