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## Japanese Passport Services Appointment Information (effective 15 June)

Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles

© Japanese Passport Services at the Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles for Japanese Nationals will use an appointment system starting Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Further details can be found at the following link:

[https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\\_ja/appointment.html](https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_ja/appointment.html)

○ These measures were put in place so we can continue to provide services to Japanese residents living in southern California and the state of Arizona even during the Coronavirus pandemic while adhering to state, county, and city mandates and ordinances.

Japanese passport service hours have also been amended. Both Japanese passport application appointments and Japanese passport pickup appointments are in the morning only. In an effort to reduce congestion in the waiting room and decrease wait times, only those who have made an appointment will be provided services. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

○ Please confirm the details from the link below and proceed with the appointment reservation procedure prior to coming to the Consulate General. We hope that by not requiring personal information, you can make an appointment reservation with peace of mind that your information is safe and secure. Please visit the link below for the appointment reservation system.

[https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\\_ja/appointment.html](https://www.la.us.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_ja/appointment.html)

○ For non-urgent matters (e.g. renewing Japanese passports with more than 6 months of validity), please visit the Consulate General at a later time. If you have an urgent, emergency or life-threatening situation, please call the Consulate General by phone at (213)617-6700.

○ Please share this information with anyone who may need Japanese Passport Services at the Consulate General of Japan in Los Angeles.

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## Visa Section Services Announcement

### VISA SECTION SERVICES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

#### WEEKDAYS 1:30pm – 3:30pm ONLY

(There will be **NO** morning Visa Section service, effective August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020)

Please note the following:

- For comprehensive information regarding the travel ban, which visas are being processed, or other Japan travel related-information, please visit our [guidelines page](#). For special circumstances: please call 213-617-6700 to clarify your situation.

#### Revised Processing Times

- All applications will take approximately 4-8 business days to process. There will be **NO** expedited services for any applications. Applicants from remote areas are advised to provide a prepaid return envelope and a release of liability.

#### Notice

- Please do not come to the Consulate General of Japan if it is not urgent business and please be understanding of unforeseen circumstances and possible long wait times.
- We have received a notice from our building, City National 2CAL, that visitors who fail to wear face coverings while on the premises may be refused admission.
- Visitors will be subject to a non-contact thermometer. Those with a reading of 37.5°C (99.5°F) or higher will be refused entry. Please visit after you have recovered if you do not feel well.