

## **For Those Who had been Staying in Japan with the Status of Residence “Technical Intern Training” or “Trainee” and Left Japan without Obtaining a Re-entry Permit due to the Great East Japan Earthquake**

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The following special measure has been introduced for those who had been staying in Japan with the status of residence “Technical Intern Training” or “Trainee” and left Japan without obtaining a re-entry permit due to the Great East Japan Earthquake, as well as those who held a valid re-entry permit when they left Japan but the period of validity has expired. Please inquire at your nearest Japanese Embassy or Consulate-General for further details. Guidance is also available at regional immigration offices in Japan, and through the Japan International Training Cooperation Organization (JITCO).

1. Conditions under which Visa Applications can be accepted under the Special Measure
  - (1) If the person was staying in Japan with the status of residence “Technical Intern Training” or “Trainee” as of March 11 and subsequently left Japan without obtaining a re-entry permit
  - (2) If the person was staying in Japan with the status of residence “Technical Intern Training” or “Trainee” and left Japan on or after March 11 with a valid re-entry permit, but the period of validity of the re-entry permit (and period of stay) has expired because the person delayed his or her return to Japan due to the Great East Japan Earthquake
2. Required Documents for Visa Application

In addition to a visa application form, photograph, and passport, the following documents are required depending on the status of residence the person held during his/her stay in Japan. Please note that additional documents and/or interviews may be requested.

- (1) Technical Intern Training (I) (A) (individual enterprise-based training)
  - a. Document indicating the history of the person's stay in Japan (copy of page(s) of the passport showing permission for landing, re-entry permission, etc)
  - b. Written statement from the implementing organization, indicating approval of the continuation of the technical intern training
  - c. Technical intern training (I) plan (if the plan has not changed, a copy of the current plan is sufficient)
  - d. Copy of employment contract (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - e. Copy of employment conditions (labor conditions notification) (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - f. Current Accepted Technical Intern Trainees Register
- (2) Technical Intern Training (I) (B) (association-managed training)
  - a. Document indicating the history of the person's stay in Japan (copy of page(s) of the passport showing permission for landing, re-entry permission, etc)
  - b. Written statement jointly signed by the supervising organization and the implementing organization, indicating approval of the continuation of the technical

- intern training
  - c. Technical intern training (I) plan (if the plan has not changed, a copy of the current plan is sufficient)
  - d. Copy of employment contract (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - e. Copy of employment conditions (labor conditions notification) (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - f. Current Accepted Technical Intern Trainees Register
- (3) Technical Intern Training (II) (A) (individual enterprise-based training)
- a. Document indicating the history of the person's stay in Japan (copy of page(s) of the passport showing permission for landing, re-entry permission, etc)
  - b. Written statement from the implementing organization, indicating approval of the continuation of the technical intern training
  - c. Technical intern training (II) plan (if the plan has not changed, a copy of the current plan is sufficient)
  - d. Copy of employment contract (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - e. Copy of employment conditions (labor conditions notification) (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - f. Copy of successful test scores (only required for those who had the status of residence Technical Intern Training (I) (A) and had passed the national trade skills test at the time of his/her departure from Japan)
- (4) Technical Intern Training (II) (B) (association-managed training)
- a. Document indicating the history of the person's stay in Japan (copy of page(s) of the passport showing permission for landing, re-entry permission, etc)
  - b. Written statement jointly signed by the supervising organization and the implementing organization, indicating approval of the continuation of the technical intern training
  - c. Technical intern training (II) plan (if the plan has not changed, a copy of the current plan is sufficient)
  - d. Copy of employment contract (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - e. Copy of employment conditions (labor conditions notification) (may be omitted if content has not changed)
  - f. Copy of successful test scores (only required for those who had the status of residence Technical Intern Training (I) (B) and had passed the national trade skills test at the time of his/her departure from Japan)
- (5) Trainee
- a. Document indicating the history of the person's stay in Japan (copy of page(s) of the passport showing permission for landing, re-entry permission, etc)
  - b. Written statement from the accepting organization, indicating approval of the continuation of the training
  - c. Training implementation schedule (if the schedule has not changed, a copy of the current schedule is sufficient)

### 3. Visa Fee

The visa fee will be payable, except for citizens of those countries eligible for the visa fee

waiver.

#### 4. Examination Period

Since the visa will be issued via the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in coordination with the Ministry of Justice after the visa application is received at the Japanese Embassy or Consulate-General pursuant to this special measure, the visa application procedures will take longer than usual. Therefore, we request that the visa application be submitted with plenty of time to spare.

#### 5. Planned Date of Entry into Japan

To ensure smooth entry procedures after the applicant receives a visa, be sure to report the planned date of entry into Japan, the port of entry, and the flight details to the Japanese Embassy or Consulate-General upon receiving the visa. Also be sure to report any subsequent changes in the date of entry, port of entry, or flight details to the Japanese Embassy or Consulate-General at which the visa application was submitted.