Visa application with Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)

NOTE!

We can only accept visa applications from applicants who are staying in Poland for at least 14 days before departure to Japan.

Required documents:

Applicant:

- Passport
- Non-Polish and non-EU citizens: valid residence permit for Poland
- Visa application form *
- 1 passport photo *

*Citizens of CIS States, Georgia and Ukraine please submit 2 application forms and 2 passport photos.

Institution/ Guarantor in Japan (e.g. employer, university etc.):

- Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)
- <u>Pledge Certificate</u> in two copies, filled out and signed by the sponsor in Japan (copy is sufficient) with an official stamp of inviting institution

* In case your CoE was issued more than three months ago, you should submit official letter, in which inviting institution confirms that your presence is still necessary at the planned position in Japan with the same residence status category (English or Japanese; copy is sufficient)

* In case of "as professor" CoE category, applicants should submit additional explanation letter from the inviting institution.

Processing time and fee:

The usual processing time is approx. 5 working days.

Visa issuance is free of charge for Polish and most EU citizens. For other nationalities a fee of 103,-PLN may apply. The applicants will be informed of the amount of the fee on the day of application. The fee (cash only) is due upon collection of the visa.

Procedure regarding entering Japan:

1. PCR test

A negative PCR test result must be provided within 72 hours before departure from the country (departure time of your flight). Additionally the applicant should obtain the certificate of negative test result filled and signed by a medical institution. Please use the following format (Word) for the certificate of negative test result.

If the applicant cannot find a medical institution which accepts the above mentioned format, a document in an optional format with all the required information in English is acceptable, though omitting any of the information listed in below may result in denial of permission to entry into Japan in accordance with the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act. The optional form must contain:

- Personal data: full name, passport number, nationality, date of birth, gender
- Test data: test method, test result, date and time of specimen collection, date of determination of test results, date of issuance of test certificate, name and address of medical facility
- Important: The address, the signature of the doctor and the official seal of the medical institution are required.

2. Quarantine measures

Even if you travel to Japan with a negative PCR test result within 72 hours prior to departure, you will be asked to undergo another PCR test upon arrival in Japan.

Please also note the following requirements when entering Japan:

- You will have to stay in quarantine for 14 days either at your place of residence or at a location designated by the quarantine station chief.

- <u>It is prohibited to use public transportation to your place of quarantine. This includes trains,</u> <u>busses, taxis and national flights.</u>