



From Japan to the Northwest

News From the Consulate-General of Japan in Seattle



Dear friends of the Consulate-General of Japan in Seattle,

We've deviated from our normal bi-monthly schedule to bring you an important announcement regarding changes to the quarantine requirements for travelers to Japan.

Since June 2021, travelers from Washington, Idaho and Montana have been required to undergo specific quarantine measures when entering Japan to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, particularly the delta variant.

Those previous measures included, upon arrival in Japan:

- 3 days of quarantine at a specific facility designated by the chief of the quarantine station
- 11 days of self-quarantine at home (14 days of quarantine total after arrival)

Today, the Government of Japan has reviewed the current border measures and decided to remove certain areas, including Washington, Idaho, and Montana, from the initial 3-day quarantine at a specific facility.

Therefore, **beginning September 20, those traveling or returning to Japan from our jurisdiction are no longer required to quarantine for 3 days at a specific facility. However, self-quarantine at home for 14 days is still required.**

You can read the full announcement [on our homepage here](#).

Please note that these changes in quarantine requirements have not changed Japan's current entry restrictions. Please check our homepage for the [latest information on visas and travel to Japan](#).

You can expect our next, regularly scheduled issue of this newsletter on Sept. 30.

Until then, thank you for reading!

Sincerely,

Consulate-General of Japan in Seattle

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