Regarding Application for Permission to Acquire Status of Residence etc. (Notice)

Immigration Bureau, Ministry of Justice

A foreign national born in Japan or a person having renounced Japanese nationality, who intend to stay in Japan for over 60 days after the date of birth or the date of renouncement of Japanese nationality, respectively, must file an Application for Permission to Acquire Status of Residence with a Regional Immigration Bureau within 30 days from the date of birth or the date of renouncement of Japanese nationality.

1. Required documents

- (1) One copy of the application form for permission to acquire status of residence or for permission for permanent residence
 - *An application for permission for permanent residence is accepted only when the applicant was born as a child of a permanent resident.
 - (Note) The application form is available at Regional Immigration Bureaus or can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Justice.

(2) One photo

(Note) Not required for an applicant under 16, an applicant who wishes to be granted permission to stay for less than or equal to 3 months, or an applicant who wishes to acquire the status of residence of "Diplomat" or "Official".

- (3) Either of the following documents
 - (i) A document certifying the birth (for an applicant who was born in Japan)
 - (ii) A document certifying the nationality (for an applicant who has renounced Japanese nationality)
- (4) Passport (when an applicant cannot present his/her passport, a document stating the reason therefor)
 - (Note) Even when the issuance of a passport takes time, file the application within 30 days from the date of birth or the date of renouncement of Japanese nationality without waiting for the issuance of the passport.
- (5) Documents required in accordance with the status of residence sought by the applicant
 - (i) An applicant who intends to stay in Japan for a mid to long term (Note) must submit a copy of his/her resident record (issued by the relevant municipality).
 - (Note) Excluding an applicant who wishes to be granted permission to stay for less than or equal to 3 months, an applicant who wishes to be granted the status of residence of "Temporary Visitor," or an applicant who wishes to acquire the status of residence of "Diplomat" or "Official".
 - (ii) An applicant who intends to stay in Japan under the support of his/her parent, etc. must submit a taxation certificate for residential tax and a certificate of tax payment of his/her supporter (issued by the relevant municipality).
 - (iii) For further information, refer to the following website of the Ministry of Justice or make inquiries at the Foreign Residents Immigration Information Centers.

2. Eligible applicants

- An applicant him/herself
- · A statutory agent of an applicant

- Either of the following persons undertaking application procedures
- (i) A person who has filed a notification concerning the undertaking of application procedures to the director of a Regional Immigration Bureau or who has obtained approval thereof
- (ii) A relative of an applicant or a person living with the applicant, or any other equivalent person whom the director of a Regional Immigration Bureau considers appropriate (Note)

(Note) When an applicant cannot file an application by him/herself due to being under 16 or suffering from a disease, or other grounds

* Point of contact

Website of the Ministry of Justice

[Regarding applications for permission to acquire status of residence] http://www.moj.go.jp/ONLINE/IMMIGRATION/16-10.html

[Regarding applications for permission for permanent residence]

http://www.moj.go.jp/ONLINE/IMMIGRATION/16-4.html

Foreign Residents Immigration Information Centers

0570-013904 (Domestic Call)

03-5796-7112 (IP telephone/PHS/International Call)