



# Global Immigration alert

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## Japan

Japan implements relaxed requirements for Ukrainian nationals seeking to obtain short-term visas

### Executive summary

On 24 June 2024, Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs relaxed the requirements for Ukrainian nationals seeking to obtain short-term visas to enter Japan for business and other purposes.

### Key developments

On 24 June 2024, the following changes went into effect:

- ▶ *Multiple-entry visas for business purposes:* Full-time employees of Ukrainian companies involved in cooperation projects between Japan and Ukraine are now eligible for multiple-entry visas for business purposes.
- ▶ *Multiple-entry visas for individuals with "high income":* Ukrainian nationals who meet applicable minimum income requirements and are considered "high-income" individuals can now apply for multiple-entry visas. These visas are valid for up to five years and allow holders to visit Japan for up to 90 days per visit.
- ▶ *Multiple-entry visas for relatives of Ukrainian refugees:* Family members of Ukrainian nationals who arrived in Japan following the outbreak of the conflict in Ukraine (and are now residing in Japan) can apply for multiple-entry visas for short-term stay purposes.

### Impact on employers

These changes will benefit employers by providing them greater access to impacted Ukrainian professionals, including business visitors.

### Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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