

NOTE VERBALE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania presents its compliments to the Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Lithuania and has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, in a spirit of promoting closer co-operative relations between the Republic of Lithuania and Japan, desirous of providing wider opportunities for nationals of Japan, particularly young people of Japan, to experience the culture and general way of life in the Republic of Lithuania for the purpose of promoting mutual understanding between the Republic of Lithuania and Japan, and wishing to provide arrangements for working holidays which are intended to make it possible for nationals of Japan to enter the Republic of Lithuania primarily for a holiday for an extended period and also engage in employment as an incidental aspect of their holiday in order to supplement their travel funds, is prepared to take, on a reciprocal basis, from the 1st January 2019 the following measures with respect to the entry of nationals of Japan into the Republic of Lithuania, subject to the relevant laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania:

1. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania will issue, free of charge, a multi-entry national visa (D) (hereinafter - visa) valid for a period up to twelve (12) months from the date of issuance for a national of Japan who satisfies all of the following requirements:

- (i) is a national of Japan who is resident in Japan at the time of the application for the visa;
- (ii) intends primarily to holiday in the Republic of Lithuania for a period of validity of the visa;
- (iii) is aged between eighteen (18) and thirty (30) years both inclusive at the time of application for the said visa;
- (iv) is not accompanied by dependents unless those dependents are also in possession of the visa issued on conditions stipulated in this paragraph or other visa issued by the Republic of Lithuania;
- (v) possesses a valid passport of Japan and a return travel ticket or sufficient funds with which to purchase such a ticket;
- (vi) possesses reasonable funds for his or her maintenance during the period of initial stay in the Republic of Lithuania;
- (vii) intends to leave the Republic of Lithuania at the end of his or her stay;
- (viii) has not previously been issued the visa according these arrangements;
- (ix) has good health, a sound background and no criminal record; and
- (x) intends to comply with the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania during his or her stay in the Republic of Lithuania.

2. Application for the visa will be required to be submitted to the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in Japan, in accordance with procedures specific to these arrangements. When necessary, applicants will be interviewed by the representatives of

the Embassy to determine their eligibility.

3. Applicants will not be refused the visa solely on the grounds of their lack of knowledge of the Lithuanian language.

4. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania will grant nationals of Japan who have the visa permission to stay in the Republic of Lithuania for the period of validity of visa. They should not extend their stay beyond the period authorized, or alter their immigration status during their stay.

5. Participants from Japan in these arrangements will, during their stay in the Republic of Lithuania, be able to take work incidental to their holiday in order to supplement their travel funds subject to the relevant laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania.

6. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania will require nationals of Japan who have entered the Republic of Lithuania under these arrangements to comply with the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania and not to engage in employment that is contrary to the purpose of these arrangements.

7. Participants from Japan in these arrangements may, subject to the relevant laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania, enrol in short-term language courses and/or similar courses for the purpose of learning the culture and general way of life in the Republic of Lithuania.

8. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania may suspend the foregoing measures in whole or in part temporarily for reasons of public security, public order, public health or immigration risk. Any such suspension will be notified immediately to the Government of Japan through diplomatic channels.

9. The Government of the Republic of Lithuania may terminate the foregoing measures by giving three (3) months' written notice to the Government of Japan.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Lithuania the assurances of its highest considerations.

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