

My Number Card *(Individual Number Card)*

“Individual Number” has been implemented in Japan since October 2015. Under this system, a number (12 digits) will be issued individually to every person with a residence record, including international students and researchers residing in Japan. This number, called “My Number”, will be used for administrative procedures related to Social Security or Taxation, etc.



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What is My Number Card?

My Number Card (an Individual Number Card) is a plastic card containing an IC chip, on which the bearer's name, address, date of birth, gender, My Number (the Individual Number), and ID photograph, etc., are displayed on it. This card can be used as an identification card for identity verification as well as to receive a wide range of services including municipal services.

My Number is used;

- ✓ As a document which certifies the Individual Number
- ✓ Online application for various administrative procedures
- ✓ Official identification card for identity verification
- ✓ For various private online transactions
- ✓ Multi-purpose card for a wide range of services
- ✓ Obtain various certificates at convenience stores, etc.

How to apply for your My Number Card

The application process for an Individual Number Card is outlined below.

(1) Application via the website using a smartphone.

Use your smartphone to take your ID photograph and complete the online application form.

<https://www.kojinbango-card.go.jp/en-kofushinse-smartphone/>

(2) Application via a personal computer

Take your ID photograph with a digital camera and access the website to apply using the application form provided.

<https://www.kojinbango-card.go.jp/en-kofushinse-pc/>

(3) Application by mail

Attach your ID photograph to the application form for the Individual Number Card, then put the form in a self-addressed envelope and post it.

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