

Birth of Child

After your baby is born, you must follow some procedures to notify the birth of your child and acquire his/her nationality and status of residence. Regarding the nationality, if one of the parents has Japanese nationality, the child can obtain Japanese nationality as well.

Remember to also register the birth with the embassy of your home country.

Each procedure has a set deadline, so please be sure to complete the procedure without delay.

See MORE: Living Guide Book <http://www.fcif.or.jp/en/en-information/living/pregnancy-and-birth/>



Within 14 days after Birth

Notification of Birth (Birth Report)

@City/Ward Office

■ Items required

- Form (Notification of birth)
- Birth certificate issued by the hospital
- Maternal and Child Health Handbook (Boshi Kenko Techo)
- Passports of both parents
- Residence Card of the person submitting the application
- Other items may be required by the municipal office

*Based on the application, you may be qualified to receive Medical Care Certificate for Children and Child Allowance.

Within 30 days after Birth

Acquisition of Status of Residence

@Immigration Office

If both of parents are foreign nationals and the baby is staying in Japan for over 60 days, apply for a status of residence at the immigration bureau within 30 days.

■ Items required

- Application Form
- Birth certificate (Certificate of Acceptance of Notification of Birth)
- Resident Certificate
- Passports of both parents
- Residence Cards of both parents
- Other items may be required by the immigration office

See MORE

<https://www.isa.go.jp/en/applications/procedures/16-10.html>

Registration of Birth in the Home country

@Embassy/Consulate

Since the procedures for birth registration differ depending on the country, confirmation with the embassy/consulate is necessary. For the list of embassies/consulates of each country, please confirm on the web page of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan below.

Embassies/Consulates in Japan

https://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/protocol/a-h.html