Outline of the new phased measures in relation to Ireland

1st of October, 2020

<u>The new phased measures</u> enable an eligible person to apply for a visa at the Embassy of Japan in Ireland.

*Irish nationals who reside outside of Ireland should make an enquiry to the relevant diplomatic representations of Japan (Embassy/Consulate-General) in the country of residence to check their eligibilities.

Eligible person:

- Residents in Ireland at the time of visa application
- Irish nationals or foreign nationals who legally reside in Ireland as long-term residents
- Those who arrive in Japan from Ireland without entering the third country such as a transit country

Purpose of visit:

- Temporary visit (Short-term stay for business)
 *Applications for temporary visit for sightseeing and other purposes are still not accepted
- Mid to Long term stay (Holders of a "Certificate of Eligibility")

Requirements for visa issuance:

• Submission of all the required documents including "Written pledge"

^{*}For more details, please check "2. Required documents for the visa application" on the website below.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page22e 000921.html

Note:

- Temporary visitor visa exemption measures with Ireland are still being suspended. All the temporary visitors are required to obtain a visa to visit Japan.
- The validity of visas already issued by the 20th of March, 2020, by the Embassy of Japan in Ireland currently suspended will not be reinstated by the abovementioned measures. Holders of such visas need to make a visa application to receive a new visa.

Visa applications other than above can also be accepted if there are special exceptional circumstances.

*For more details, please check "2. Regarding special exceptional circumstance, (2)" on the website below.

http://www.moj.go.jp/content/001329914.pdf

This is just an outline of the new phased measures in relation to visa applications at the Embassy of Japan in Ireland. Please contact the Consular Section of the Embassy of Japan in Ireland directly for consultation with regard to an individual case.