(Provisional translation)

New border measures (25)

(Border measures against the Omicron variant)

January 14, 2022

1. Change of self-quarantine period after entry into Japan

For all cross-border travelers and returnees from countries/regions where the B.1.1.529 Omicron variant becomes dominant (all countries/regions except for those where COVID-19 variants other than the Omicron variant become dominant), the length of period when they are required to self-quarantine in places such as their own residence or accommodations after their entry into Japan, to follow-up checks conducted by the Health Monitoring Center for Overseas Entrants (HCO) and to refrain from using public transportation is changed from 14 days to 10 days.

2. Designation of countries/regions where the COVID-19 variants other than B.1.1.529 Omicron variant become dominant

Based on New Border Measures (25), countries/regions where COVID-19 variants other than the Omicron variant become dominant are to be specified separately. For all cross-border travelers and returnees from the specified countries/regions, the length of period when they are required to self-quarantine in places such as their own residence or accommodations after their entry into Japan, to follow-up checks conducted by the HCO and to refrain from using public transportation is 14 days.

(Note 1)

The paragraph 1 and 2 of the measures above shall be implemented from 0:00 am (JST) on January 15, 2022. These measures will also apply to those who have already entered Japan.

(Note 2)

Regarding designated countries/regions based on the paragraph 2, designation, modification and cancellation of such countries/regions will be announced in a specific attachment form whenever the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan so confirm in each time.

(Note 3)

For all cross-border travelers and returnees from countries/regions other than those mentioned on the paragraph 2, "14 days" as mentioned in New Border Measures (6), (9) and (17) shall be substituted by "10 days."

(End)