2022 Youth Mobility Scheme for Japanese nationals

As of last summer there are now a total of 1,500 places available each year to Japanese nationals as part of the UK's <u>Youth Mobility Scheme</u>.

There are two ballots each year. 800 places will be up for grabs in the first ballot in January 2022, with an additional 700 places being made available in a second ballot in July. If your application is successful you will be able to live, work and study in the UK for up to 2 years.

How to apply

If you would like to apply for the scheme you should send one email per applicant to: Japan.yms2022@fcdo.gov.uk between midday (12pm) on Monday 17 January 2022 to midday on Wednesday 19 January 2022 (Tokyo time).

The header or subject line of your email must contain your name, date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) and passport number as shown in your passport.

This must be written in English only.

For example: SUZUKI Miyu - 31/03/2000 - Passport123456789.

The main body of your email should include the following information, written in English:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Passport Number
- Mobile phone number

The email account will only be open for 48 hours and all emails received within this timeframe will be sent an automated reply confirming receipt.

Once the ballot closes 800 applicants will be chosen at random by UKVI. If you have been successful a second email will be sent to you by 28 January to confirm acceptance and provide further instructions on how to make an appointment, along with documentary evidence required to apply for your entry clearance.

Please note successful applicants must prepare online applications and online credit card payments no later than 28 February 2022. Failure to submit your payment online by this date will automatically remove your name from the list and your allocation will be retracted. After you have paid online you have 90 days to book your appointment at the Visa Application Centre (VAC) and submit your paperwork for consideration.

If you are a Japanese national living overseas you can also apply following the instructions above, and if you are chosen to apply you will be able to do

so in your country/territory of residence. Applications cannot be submitted for the Youth Mobility Scheme in the UK.

If you're unsuccessful you will receive an email within two weeks of the ballot closing and no further action is required. You'll be able to re-apply for the ballot when it reopens in July 2022, if you meet the eligibility requirements.

Further information about the scheme <u>can be found on gov.uk</u> and any enquiries relating to the application process, online application forms and questions in general should be directed to the <u>UKVI International Enquiry Line</u>.