To Our Foreign Customers

Please be informed that for opening a deposit bank account the following documents are required. Please have the mentioned items ready on your visit to open an account.

« Documents required for opening a bank account »

(Specimen) Residence Card







Source: Immigration Bureau of Japan Website

Personal identification document

 The personal identification document must display a photograph of the bearer and the bearer's name, address (in Japan), and date of birth.

For example:

- Residence card
- Special permanent resident certificate
- Individual number card
- ▶ Passport
- * The account opening procedure may involve verification of the applicant's period of stay in Japan.

 An applicant may be requested to present more than one personal identification document.

Seal imprint or signature

- At the time of the account opening, the application form must be completed with the applicant's seal imprint. Please note that various financial institutions accept also the applicant's signature as an alternative.
- When you order your seal, please instruct the store that the seal must qualify for banking transactions.

Other matters

- When applying for a bank account, please also bring an employee ID or other document enabling confirmation of the applicant's status of employment.
- Please note that for verification purposes the application procedure may involve a phone call to the applicant's place of employment.
- Applicants who require Japanese language support should request ongoing assistance from a person in their sphere of employment, etc.
- Students are requested to bring their student ID.

Selling or buying a deposit bank account is a punishable offence!

Selling or buying a deposit bank account (i.e., selling or buying a deposit account pass book or cash card) is prohibited under the law of Japan and incurs punishment on both seller and buyer.



If you return to your home country due to the expiration of the period of stay etc., to help prevent the unlawful usage of bank accounts, please complete the account closing procedure of your financial institution.

