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Japan Educational Exchanges and Services

Precautions on the day of the 2nd JLPT in 2026 (December)

Before taking the test, please be sure to check "Precautions when taking the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test" on our JLPT website. In addition, please be especially careful of the following seven points.

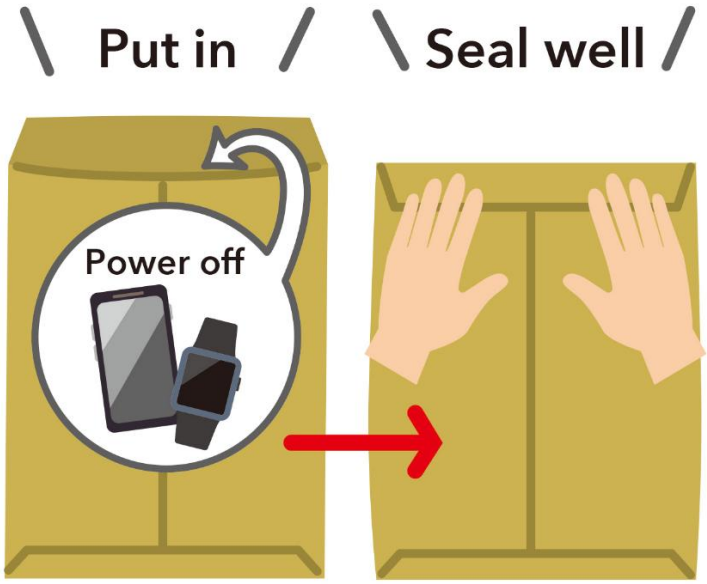
1. About electronic devices



At the test site, using electronic devices is prohibited both during the test time and during breaks.

At the start of the first period, when the proctor says “でんげんが　きれていることを　かくにんしたら、　つくえのうえの　ふうとうに　いれて、　ふうとうを　とじてください。”, please turn off all electronic devices (cell phones, smartphones, smartwatches, etc.), place them in the envelope, and seal it. Do not open the envelope until the listening section (2nd period for N1 and N2, 3rd period for N3 to N5) has ended and the proctor says “ふうとうを　あけても　いいです。”. Opening the envelope before this instruction will result in disqualification.

Since electronic devices cannot be used during breaks, mobile payment services are not available. Please bring your own water. We cannot hold any electronic devices at the test site. Please do not bring any electronic devices that cannot be turned off or have alarms disabled.





2. About identity verification

Please bring an original Residence Card within validity period.

You cannot take the exam if you only have a copy of your Residence Card or other forms of identification.

※If your Residence Card has expired since you submitted your application: Please bring an original Residence Card that is valid on the day of the test.

※If your Residence Card is currently being renewed and you do not have the original card on hand, please bring items ①, ②, and ③.

① Documentation showing that your Residence Card is being held by the Immigration Services Agency or an administrative scrivener

② A copy of your Residence Card

③ Government-issued photo ID (such as a passport, My Number Card, or driver's license)

※If you have lost your Residence Card: Please bring items ①, ②, and ③.

① A certificate of loss or other document showing the receipt number for your lost property report (It doesn't have to be an official document issued by the police; a note with the number or a printed copy of the email you received when you submitted your application is also acceptable.)

② A copy of the lost Residence Card or the reissued Residence Card

③ Government-issued photo ID (such as a passport, My Number Card, or driver's license)

※Among those who applied without a Residence Card, please bring the following (all must be original documents that are still valid). You will not be allowed to take the test if you do not have these items of identification.

1.Non-native Japanese speakers who have Japanese nationality: "Japanese passport" or "My Number Card and documents indicating nationality such as certificate of residence"

2.Holders of the "Diplomat" or "Official" visa status: "Diplomat passport" or "Official passport"

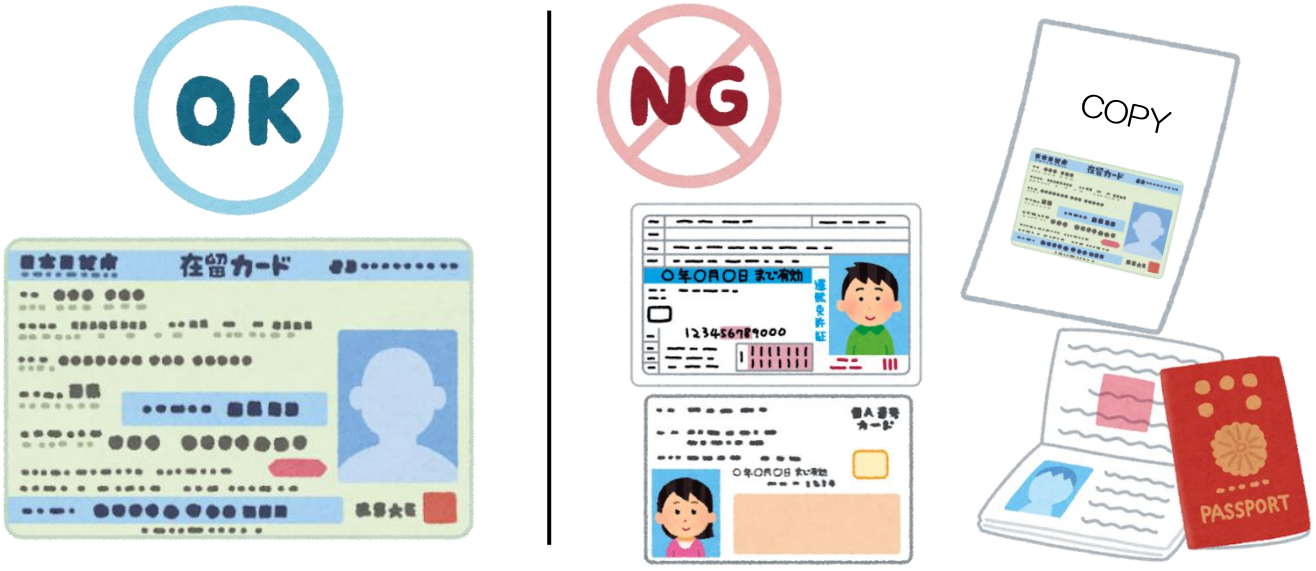
3.Applicants with Permission for provisional stay: "Provisional Stay Permit"

4.Applicants under the Japan–U.S. Status of Forces Agreement or the UN Forces Agreement: "ID card issued by the respective military"

5.Applicants with provisional release permission: "Provisional Release Permit"

6.Applicants subject to a supervision measure decision: "Supervision Measure Decision Notice"

If you are one of above categories 3. to 6. and have a passport or My Number Card, please bring them as well.



3. Improper behavior

In JLPT, if we find examinees engaging in malicious cheating such as stealing test booklets, recording, or leaking test content, we will report them to the police for charges like fraudulent obstruction of business. Any items used for cheating (cheat sheets, electronic devices, etc.) will be confiscated and not returned. Furthermore, if for any reason the organizer determines that the validity of an examinee's score is questionable, JEES may invalidate your test score, not notify your test result or prohibit you from taking the JLPT in the future.

Details about malicious cheatings are provided on the JLPT website under "Precautions when taking the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test" section, (7) and (8) of "3. Test precautions on the day of the test". Please be sure to read this information carefully.







4. About coming to the test site

① JLPT will be administered in AM and PM depending on the test level.
The time to enter the test room and the time to start the test differ depending on the test level.
Please check the time schedule carefully.

② Please use public transportation (train or bus etc.) to come to the test sites.

③ There is no place to wait until the test room opens.
Please do not arrive before the opening time.

④ Only examinees will be allowed to enter the test site building.
There is no waiting area for accompanying person.



5. About using the parking or bicycle parking lot

① Please do not park bicycles/cars in nearby facilities such as stations or stores near the test site. We have received complaints from users of stores and other facilities that they cannot use bicycle parking lots and parking spaces and those bicycles/cars are blocking the roads.

② Examinees arriving by bicycle, motorcycle or, car may be denied taking the test.

6. About smoking in and around the test sites



We have received complaints about smoking from the test sites and its surroundings. Do not smoke at the test sites where smoking is prohibited, on the streets, or in nearby facilities. Also, please do not smoke except at the specified places, even at the test sites where smoking is allowed. If the above rules are not observed, examinees may be denied taking the test.

7. Installation of Surveillance Cameras

Surveillance Cameras may be in use in classrooms of a certain size to prevent cheating. The captured video data will be properly managed and securely stored. After the examination, the video data will be deleted once it has been confirmed that no cheating occurred. It will not be used for any other purpose.

In addition, there are some cases where the above-mentioned problems may make it impossible to rent test sites. In such cases, we will have no choice but to rent test sites in a distant location, which may cause inconvenience to examinees.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.