# Non-immigrant Media Visa (for working or filming/shooting in Thailand)

#### **\*\*Required documents for applying a visa in the periods of Coronavirus COVID – 19 outbreak \*\***

The Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka may require additional documents and reserves the right to reject incomplete visa application as well as fraud and misrepresentation. Visa issuance is under the discretion of the Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka. The Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka reserves the right not to explain the reason of rejection.

# For working at news agency in Thailand

### Step 1:

News agency in Thailand submits a request for the applicant's visa approval at the Department of Information, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Thailand.

#### <u>Step 2:</u>

The Royal Thai Consulate-General will interview the applicant.

## Step 3:

If the applicant gets approval from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Royal Thai Consulate-General will contact him/her to get the visa. Please prepare the following documents:

- 1. Passport: Not less than 6 months validity with at least 2blank pages left
- 2. 1 copy of the bio-data page of the passport
- 3. 1 Application form affixed with a colorphoto(size 3.5 x 4.5 cm.)taken within the last 6 months: completed and signed by the applicant (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/appli\_pdf/application\_for.pdf)
- 4. Personal history: completed and signed by the applicant (<a href="http://site.thaiembassy.jp/upload/pdf/about-visa-personalhistory.pdf">http://site.thaiembassy.jp/upload/pdf/about-visa-personalhistory.pdf</a>)
- 5. Original recommendation letter from the dispatching company in Japan requesting for visa issuance with a photocopy of the signer's passport\*
- 6. Original invitation letter from the news agency in Thailand requesting for visa issuance with a photocopy of the signer's passport\*
  - \* There commendation and invitation letters must have the company's letter head with company's seal, signed by the authorized person(s). Both letters must contain the applicant's name, assignment's position / responsibilities / salary / date of entry/ length of stay and type of visa.
  - \*\* In case the lettersare not signed by the authorized person(s), a letter of power of attorney authorizing other person(s) to act on his/her behalf must be submitted upon submitting visa application.
- 7. Evidence of news agency registration in Thailand (if applicable)(original or copy with original company seal and signature of authorized person whose name is listed in the company's registration on each page)
- 8. Company's profile (current company in Japan)

- 9. The applicant's criminal record legalized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan in a sealed envelope
- 10. A copy of the applicant's work during the year prior to the date of application, including work in Thailand
- 11.A copy of valid work permit <u>or</u> form WP 3(Letter of approval from the Ministry of Labour of Thailand. (<a href="https://www.doe.go.th/prd/assets/upload/files/alien\_en/df172270ff13dbee9ce60cc34f9b698d.pdf">https://www.doe.go.th/prd/assets/upload/files/alien\_en/df172270ff13dbee9ce60cc34f9b698d.pdf</a>)
- 12. Airline ticket or booking confirmation issued by airline with applicant's name, flight number as well as flight date and time

## For media production and filming in Thailand

Please get the permission from Thailand Film Office, Department of Tourism, Ministry of Tourism and Sports before applying for visa.

# **Additional documents for non-Japanese applicant:**

- 1. 1 copy of residence card with three-month validity is required. For those who are currently applying for the renewal of the residence card, a copy of acceptance for the renewal issued by the Immigration Bureau of Japan must be submitted
- 2. Applicants holding passports of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, North Korea, Libya, Palestine, Sudan, Yemen, Cameroon, Congo, Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea, Algeria, China, India, Iraq, Lebanon, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Syria, Ghana, Central African Republic, Somalia, Sao Tome and Principe, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Saudi Arabia, please submit <a href="mailto:three">three</a> (3) color photos and three</a> (3) copies of application forms which are duly filled and signed.
- 3. Applicants holding passport of Nigeria and Iran, please submit <u>four (4) color photos and four (4) copies</u> <u>of application forms</u> which are duly filled and signed.

#### **Remarks:**

The applicant must enter Thailand on the date specified in the company letter(s).