

I arrived in Japan before the change to the new residency management system (before July 9th, 2012). How can I receive my resident card?

Depending on your status of residence and your age, the date by which you must exchange your alien registration card for a resident card differs.

	Permanent Resident	Designated Activities	Other resident status
16 years or older	Until July 8, 2015	Whichever comes earlier, expiration of the period of stay, or July 8, 2015	The expiration date of the period of stay
Younger than 16 years old	Whichever comes earlier, July 8 2015, or the individual's 16 th birthday	Whichever comes earlier, the expiration date of the period of stay, or the individual's 16 th birthday	Whichever comes earlier, the expiration date of the period of stay, or the individual's 16 th birthday

If you would like to get your card at your own request you can do so at the Gifu Regional Immigration Office.

You will need to submit a photo 40 mm high and 30 mm wide.

The address of the immigration office has changed as of March 19 2012. You can access the map [here](#).

Take JR bus City loop line (市内ループ) from stand 11 on the north side of JR station. Get off at Shimin Kaikan ・ Saibansho Mae (市民会館 ・ 裁判所前).

For further information about the new residency registration system, please visit the Immigration Bureau of Japan's website [here](#).