

## Who is Eligible for a HOKKAIDO / EAST-JAPAN / WEST-JAPAN / KYUSHU RAIL PASS?

### **[A] You are a FOREIGN Tourist - visiting Japan from abroad for sight-seeing, under the ENTRY STATUS of "TEMPORARY VISITOR",**

"**Temporary Visitor**" entry status, according to Japanese Immigration Law, allows a stay in Japan of 15 days or 90 days for "sight-seeing, etc." If you apply for a "stay for sight-seeing" when you enter Japan, entry personnel will stamp your passport as "Temporary Visitor," as shown below. Only persons who have a passport bearing this stamp can use a HOKKAIDO / EAST-JAPAN / WEST-JAPAN / KYUSHU RAIL PASS.



Examples of the "Temporary Visitor" entry status stamp

#### Caution:

Even if you visit Japan with an Exchange Order, to be turned in for a HOKKAIDO / EAST-JAPAN / WEST-JAPAN / KYUSHU RAIL PASS, the exchange cannot be made unless you have "Temporary Visitor" status; if you enter Japan under any other official status, such as "Trainee," "Entertainer," or "Reentry Permit," you cannot change the Exchange Order for a HOKKAIDO / EAST-JAPAN / WEST-JAPAN / KYUSHU RAIL PASS. Please note that according to strict interpretation of the Japanese Immigration Law, "Temporary Visitor" status differs even from other types of stays that are also for only short time periods.

### **[B] You are a JAPANESE NATIONAL - living in a country other than Japan (having entered the country on a Japanese passport),**

➔ General Information is as below; but kindly please **Contact us directly and confirm your eligibility for your purchase.**

#### **[HOKKAIDO / EAST-JAPAN / WEST-JAPAN RAIL PASS]**

Any Japanese Passport Holder CANNOT Use. These Passes are Only for Foreign Passport Holders.

#### **[KYUSHU RAIL PASS]**

A Japanese person who satisfies all of the conditions below is also eligible to purchase a KYUSHU RAIL PASS.

- Any person with Japanese nationality who is **Permanently Resident at Overseas**
- That person who has **Purchased an Exchange Order at Overseas**
- That person who has Flight or other **Ticket for Departure from Japan within 3 months**

KYUSHU RAIL PASS will only be issued to a Japanese person when the above 3 points can be confirm.