

Postdoctoral Fellowships for Research in Japan
PROGRAM GUIDELINES
FY2023

Main Modifications from the FY2022 Edition

(※Updated on January 30, 2023)

1. Main Items Modified

1) Amount of monthly maintenance allowances (for Short-term Fellows)

【J13/33, E13/33】

In case when a PhD diploma or doctoral degree certificate is submitted after the starting date of the fellowship, the monthly maintenance allowances to be paid will be increased to 362,000 Japanese yen, starting from the first payment after the following month from the date of submission of the diploma or the certificate to JSPS. However, the amount of allowances already paid shall not be increased retroactively.

2) Suspension of fellowship due to parental leave 【J28/29, E28/29】

The prerequisite "from the first day of the month" was eliminated, allowing Fellows to begin suspension on any date of the month. (No modification to the suspension of one-month units).

3) Definition of "submission" 【J1/E1】

The definition of "submission" in the Guidelines has been modified to refer to the receipt by JSPS. The mere provision of necessary documents and other materials by Fellows or Hosts to their Institutions does not constitute approval as a "submission" as defined in the procedures of the Guidelines.

4) Quantity specification of the items prepared by Fellows in the Research Report

【J22/E22】

FY2022 Edition: within three to ten pages

FY2023 Edition: within ten pages

5) Relaxation of restrictions on KAKENHI (Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Research Fellows)

5-1: The maximum amount of grants per fiscal year has been eliminated.

5-2: For ongoing research themes that continue beyond the fiscal year following the year of application, researchers are now eligible to apply even if

their fellowship tenures are less than two months.

6) Consistency of descriptions

For the common parts in the *Guidelines for Invitational Fellowships for Research in Japan* and in these Guidelines, the descriptions in the texts have been made consistent as far as possible.

2. Newly Added Item

1) Ensuring research integrity against new risks as a consequence of the globalization and openness of research activities 【J10/E10】

The above item has been newly added In I. OUTLINE OF FELLOWSHIPS AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS.

3. Removed Item

1) Strategic Program

Following the suspension of the Strategic Program call in FY2023, all the descriptions referring to the Strategic Program in the Guidelines have been removed.