

Hokkaido Shinkansen Shin-Hakodate Action Plan Promotion Organization

JAPAN RAIL PASS



JAPAN RAIL PASS, a joint offering of the six companies comprising the Japan Railways Group (JR Group), is the most economical means of travelling throughout Japan by rail. There are some restrictions on use; for example, JAPAN RAIL PASS cannot be used for travel on NOZOMI and MIZUHO trains on the Tokaido, Sanyo, and Kyushu Shinkansen line

Eligibility for use

The JAPAN RAIL PASS is a special fare ticket that is available only to travelers visiting Japan from foreign countries for sightseeing. To be eligible to purchase a JAPAN RAIL PASS you must meet one of the following two conditions.

(1)You are a foreign tourist visiting Japan from abroad for sight-seeing, under the entry status of "temporary visitor."

- (2)You are a Japanese national living outside of Japan who meets the following conditions.
 - a. who has the right of permanent residence in that country.

b. who is married to a non-Japanese residing in a country other than Japan.

JAPAN RAIL PASS types and prices

Type:	Green Cars		Standard Cars	
classification	Over 12yrs old	6-11yrs old	Over 12yrs old	6-11yrs old
7-day	38,880 YEN	19,440 YEN	29,110 YEN	14,550 YEN
14-day	62,950 YEN	31,470 YEN	46,390 YEN	23,190 YEN
21-day	81,870 YEN	40,930 YEN	59,350 YEN	29,670 YEN

The above are yen (\mathbf{Y}) prices for a JAPAN RAIL PASS Exchange Order ; the actual cost in local currency is calculated based on the Banker's Selling Rate (BSR), etc.at the time the Exchange Order is issued. Note that the purchase exchange rate may differ from the exchange rate in effect when you actually visit Japan.

The local currency price, applicable exchange rate, and issue date for an Exchange Order are specified on the Exchange Order itself. (Prices are subject to change. The applicable price is the price valid on the date when an Exchange Order is issued.)

*Prices shown are accurate as of September 2015. Prices are subject to change.

JAPAN RAIL PASS : From purchase to travel

*JAPAN RAIL PASS cannot be purchased in Japan.

1.Buy at JR designated sales office or agents

Buy your Exchange Order for the JAPAN RAIL PASS at one of the following sales offices or agents before coming to Japan. JTB Corp., Nippon Travel Agency, KINTETSU INTERNATIONAL, Tobu Top Tours, Japan Airlines*1, All Nippon Airways*2, JALPAK, and their associated agencies.

2.Present your Exchange Order and obtain your JAPAN RAIL PASS after you arrive in Japan. You have to turn in your Exchange Order (with your passport) to receive your JAPAN RAIL PASS at a JAPAN RAIL PASS exchange office in a major JR station.

3.When you begin using your pass, present it to the attendant at a manned ticket gate. The attendant will apply a stamp in the space provided for official use. When passing through the gate, always present your pass to the attendant so that the period of validity is visible.

4. While using JAPAN RAIL PASS, you must carry your passport and be prepared to present it to a station attendant or car conductor if requested.

5.If you want to use reserved seating, be sure to get seat reservations before boarding (no additional payment needed). To obtain a reserved-seat ticket, present JAPAN RAIL PASS at the ticket office (Midori-no-madoguchi) at a JR station, a Travel Service Center, or a sales office of a major travel agency. You can use non-reserved seating with JAPAN RAIL PASS alone.

*1 In this case, you must book a JAL Group flight.

*2 In this case, you must book an ANA Group flight.

For more information http://www.japanrailpass.net/en/