

List of Japanese language proficiency levels advantageous to scoring

1. Foreign nationals submitting an application for the points-based system for highly-skilled foreign professionals, who possess the following as proof of their ability to understand Japanese in everyday situations, and in addition, the ability to understand Japanese in a wide range of settings, including Japanese which uses somewhat complex logic, will be awarded special additional points (15 points).

Details are as follows:

- Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): level N1

<http://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/index.html>

(Japan Educational Exchanges and Services, The Japan Foundation)

- BJT Business Japanese Proficiency Test : score of 480 points or higher

<http://www.kanken.or.jp/bjt/english/>

(The Japan Kanji Aptitude Testing Public Interest Foundation)

2. Foreign nationals, who possess the following as proof of their ability to understand Japanese in everyday situations, and in addition, the ability to moderately understand Japanese in a wide range of settings, including Japanese which uses somewhat complex logic, will be awarded special additional points (10 points).

Details are as follows:

- Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): level N2

- BJT Business Japanese Proficiency Test : score of 400 points or higher