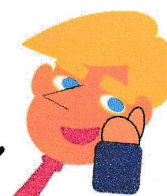


Do you know the "Three Month Rule" of International Driving Permit?

Three Month Rule? What is it?

International Driving Permit (IDP) is valid for one year after issuance, isn't it?



Wait!



There are things to pay attention.
In order to drive a motor vehicle in Japan,
you must satisfy two conditions:

1. IDP is issued within one year.
2. Your landing is within one year.

Case 2 on the other side is often found in foreign nationals.

You may misunderstand that the beginning of validity is the date of re-landing after you departed from Japan.

However, it is not deemed as re-landing if your being out of Japan is less than 3 months.

In such case, the beginning of validity is the date of previous landing.

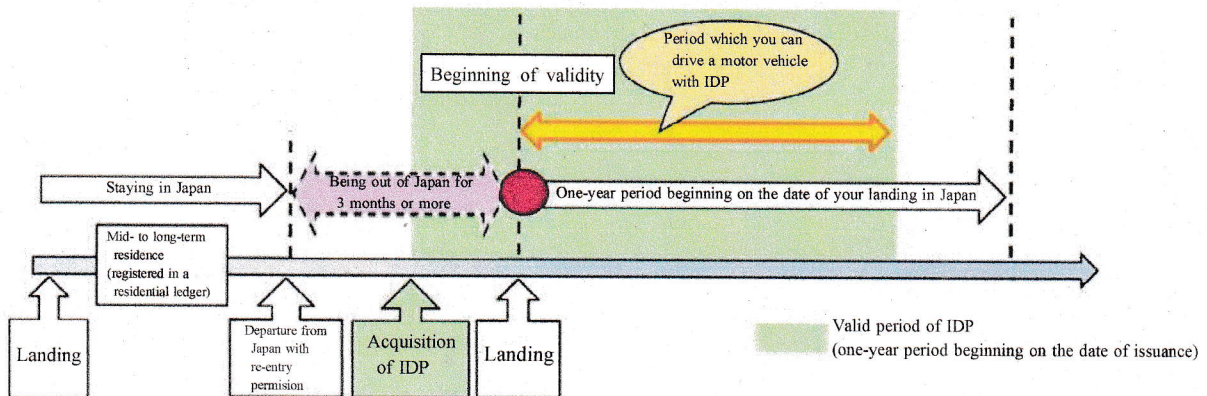
Therefore, you can not drive a motor vehicle even if your IDP has been issued within one year, but the date of your landing is more than one year ago



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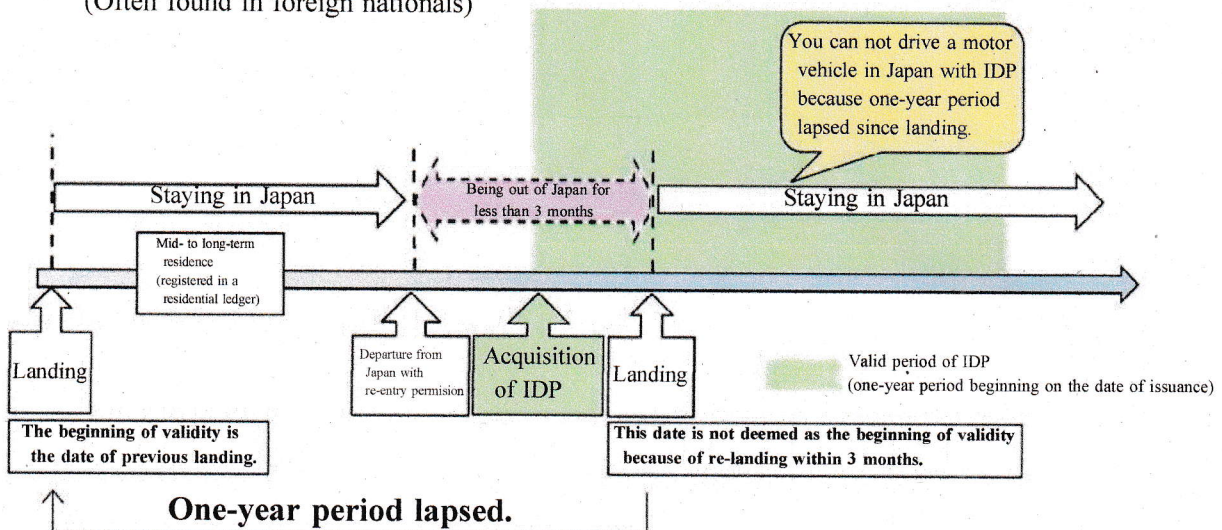
- 1 In case, you landed again in Japan after staying in a foreign country for 3 months or more.



WOW!



- 2 In case, you landed again in Japan after staying in a foreign country for less than 3 months.
(Often found in foreign nationals)



WHY?

