

## Automatic ARC Extension for 3 months

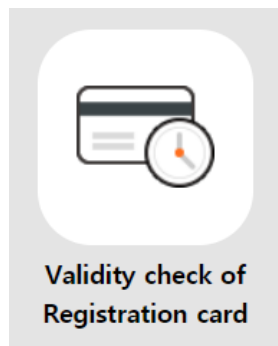
### **Background**

Due to a sharp increase of Coronavirus outbreak in South Korea again in November 2020, the Ministry of Justice has announced the 3<sup>rd</sup> automatic ARC extension policy to minimize face-to-face works at all immigration offices.

### **Eligibility**

ARC holders who are residing in South Korea at the time of this policy enforcement date (December 1, 2020) AND whose current ARC expiry date is in between December 1, 2020 and February 28, 2021 (both dates inclusive), their ARC expiry date has been automatically extended for 3 months from their current ARC expiry date.

ARC holders can check their ARC expiry date from “Validity check of Registration card” at <https://www.hikorea.go.kr/Main.pt?locale=en>



### **Exceptions**

- Those who are residing overseas at the time of this policy's enforcement date. (December 1, 2020).
- Those whose applications for ARC extension are under review at the immigration office at the time of this policy's enforcement date.
- Those who have unpaid taxes to the National Tax Service of South Korea.
- Those who have unpaid fees to any of the South Korean government authorities (especially National Health Insurance Service).
- E9 visa holders. (employed under the Employment Permit System)
- E10 visa holders. (Vessel crew)
- Illegal immigrants.

## FOR MORE INQUIRIES

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