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Partial Revision of Rail Passes for Foreign Visitors to Japan

JR Hokkaido offers various rail passes for foreign visitors to Japan. We are revising the prices and some details of our joint passes with JR East.

We will continue striving to provide products that are convenient for our customers and look forward to welcoming even more of you in the future.

1. Applicable Rail Passes

We will revise the details of the joint passes with JR East as follows.

Pass name	Current price (Ages 6-11: Half price)	Revised price (Ages 6-11: Half price)	Other revised details
JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass	35,370 yen	40,000 yen	Changes to valid areas • The Joetsu Shinkansen and Uetsu Main Line will become fully accessible. Valid areas for the Tokyo metropolitan area and Koshin'etsu will change.
JR Tohoku-South Hokkaido Rail Pass	30,640 yen	32,000 yen	None

2. Release Date for Revised Passes

(1) JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass

Sales locations	Release date	Effective start date of use
JR-EAST Train Reservation	February 18, 2026	From March 14, 2026
JR Hokkaido's designated stations, etc.		
Travel agencies outside Japan	March 1, 2026	

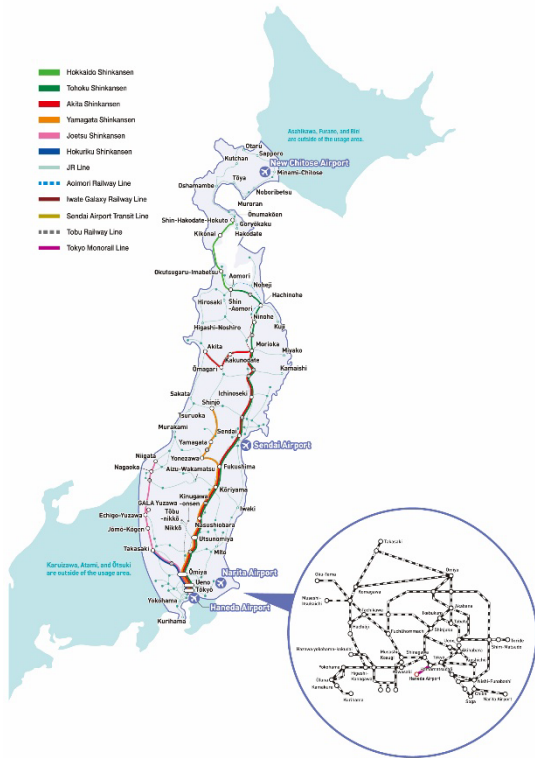
*This pass will be available at the current price for travel starting on or before March 8, 2026. (There will be no sales for passes starting from March 9 to 13, 2026.)

(2) JR Tohoku-South Hokkaido Rail Pass

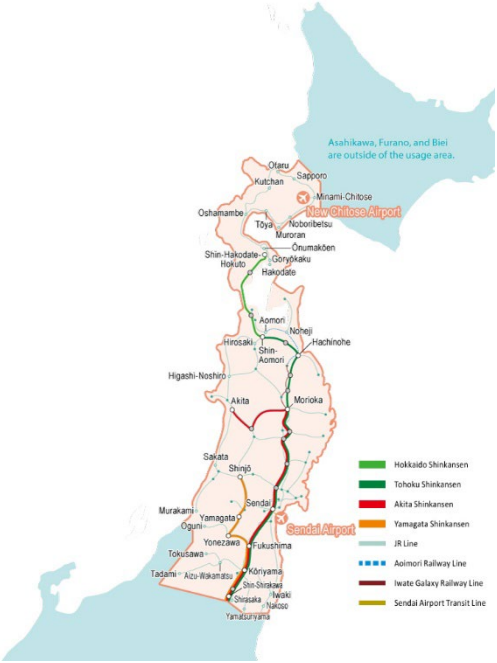
Sales locations	Release date
JR-EAST Train Reservation	March 14, 2026
JR Hokkaido's designated stations, etc.	*The current price will be available for purchase until March 13, 2026, regardless of the travel start date. (The start date can be specified up to one month from the purchase date.)
Travel agencies outside Japan	

3. Details About Rail Passes

(1) JR East-South Hokkaido Rail Pass

Price	Adult 40,000 yen (Child Ages 6-11 20,000 yen)
Eligibility	Travelers holding a non-Japanese passport
Validity	<p>Unlimited rides available for reserved seats in ordinary cars on limited express trains (including Shinkansen), express trains, and local/rapid trains on the JR Hokkaido lines, JR East lines (including BRT), Aomori Railway line, Iwate Galaxy Railway line, Sendai Airport Transit line, and Tokyo Monorail line as well as reserved seats in ordinary cars on limited express trains that operate through service between the JR East line and Tobu Railway line such as “Nikko”, “SPACIA Nikko”, “Kinugawa”, and “SPACIA Kinugawa”, etc.)</p> 
Valid period	6 consecutive days

(2) JR Tohoku-South Hokkaido Rail Pass

Price	Adult 32,000 yen (Child Ages 6-11 16,000 yen)
Eligibility	Travelers holding a non-Japanese passport
Validity	<p>Unlimited rides available for reserved seats in ordinary cars on limited express trains (including Shinkansen), express trains, and local/rapid trains on the JR Hokkaido lines, JR East lines (including BRT), Aomori Railway line, Iwate Galaxy Railway line, and Sendai Airport Transit line</p>  <p>Asahikawa, Furano, and Biei are outside of the usage area.</p> <p>Legend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hokkaido Shinkansen Tohoku Shinkansen Akita Shinkansen Yamagata Shinkansen JR Line Aomori Railway Line Iwate Galaxy Railway Line Sendai Airport Transit Line
Valid period	6 consecutive days