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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-2

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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Pre-Effective Amendment No.

☐

Post-Effective Amendment No.

☐

and/or

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

☐

UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940

Amendment No. 14

☒

(Check appropriate box or boxes.)

THE JAPAN EQUITY FUND, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

c/o Daiwa Securities Trust Company

One Evertrust Plaza

Jersey City, New Jersey 07302-3501

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code: (201) 915-3054

John O. Keefe

The Japan Equity Fund, Inc.

c/o Daiwa Securities Trust Company

One Evertrust Plaza

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(Name and Address of Agent for Service)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This filing is made solely for the purpose of filing as an exhibit the Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan of The Japan Equity Fund, Inc.

PART C OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 24. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(2) Exhibits

- (a) (1) Articles of Incorporation¹
- (2) Articles of Amendment and Restatement²
- (3) Articles Supplementary³
- (b) (1) Amended and Restated By-Laws⁴
- (2) Amendment to Amended and Restated By-Laws⁵
- (3) Amendment to Amended and Restated By-Laws³
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) (1) Copies of instruments defining the rights of shareholders, including the relevant portions of the Articles of Amendment and Restatement and the Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant⁶
- (2) Form of Subscription Certificate⁷
- (3) Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery⁷
- (4) Nominee Holder Oversubscription Exercise Form⁷
- (5) Form of Certificate and Request for Additional Rights⁷
- (6) Information Agent Agreement⁷
- (e) Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan*
- (f) Not applicable
- (g) (1) Form of Investment Management Agreement⁴
- (2) Form of Investment Advisory Agreement⁴
- (h) (1) Form of Dealer Manager Agreement⁸
- (2) Form of Soliciting Dealer Agreement⁷
- (i) Not applicable
- (j) (1) Form of Custodial Services Agreement⁹
- (2) Form of Japanese Custody Contract⁴
- (k) (1) Form of Agreement for Stock Transfer Services⁴
- (2) Form of Addendum to Agreement for Stock Transfer Services⁸
- (3) Form of Administration Agreement²
- (l) (1) Opinion and consent of Clifford Chance US LLP⁷
- (2) Opinion and consent of Piper & Marbury L.L.P.⁷
- (3) Opinion and consent of Hamada & Matsumoto⁷
- (m) Not applicable
- (n) (1) Consent of Price Waterhouse LLP⁷
- (o) Not applicable
- (p) Not applicable
- (q) Not applicable
- (r) Not applicable

¹ Filed as an exhibit to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on July 23, 1990 (File Nos. 33-35932; 811-06142).

² Filed as an exhibit to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on April 6, 1992 (File Nos. 33-35932; 811-06142).

³ Filed as an exhibit to Amendment No. 11 the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on April 26, 2002 (File Nos. 33-96822; 811-06142).

⁴ Filed as an exhibit to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on July 19, 1992 (File Nos. 33-35932; 811-06142).

⁵ Filed as an exhibit to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 10 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on March 20, 1998 (File No. 811-06142).

⁶ Reference is made to Articles II (Section 3), V, VI, VII, VIII, X, XI, and XII of the Registrant's Articles of Amendment and Restatement, previously filed as Exhibit (a)(2) to the Registration Statement; Articles I, IV, VII and VIII of the Amended and Restated By-Laws, previously filed as Exhibit (b) to the Registration Statement; and the Amendment to Amended and Restated By-Laws filed herewith.

⁷ Filed as an exhibit to Amendment No. 13 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on December 3, 2003 (File Nos. 333-109328; 811-06142).

⁸ Filed as an exhibit to Amendment No. 12 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on September 30, 2003 (File Nos. 333-109328; 811-06142).

⁹ Filed as an exhibit to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Fund's Registration Statement on Form N-2 on June 5, 1992 (File Nos. 33-35932; 811-06142).

* Filed herewith.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Amendment to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, and State of New York, on the 6th day of July, 2006.

THE JAPAN EQUITY FUND, INC.

John O Keefe

By /s/ John O Keefe

Vice President and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number (e)	Description of Document
	Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan

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