

Measures to reduce the risk of infection

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Kyoto Prefectural Government

1. Requests to all residents and business owners of Kyoto Prefecture

From October 1st to October 21st, we request compliance with the following points in all areas of Kyoto Prefecture. (Request based on Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Special Measures Law)

(1) Request to follow basic infection prevention measures

- Regardless of the individual's state of vaccination, please thoroughly implement basic infection prevention measures such as wearing a mask correctly, washing hands frequently, and disinfecting hands and fingers with disinfectants installed outside facilities.
- Keep your distance from others
- Frequently ventilate indoor spaces.
- If you feel unwell, consult with a medical institution first and refrain from going out.

(2) Request to reduce infection risks

① During drinking and eating

- Refrain from drinking alcohol on the street, in a park, or at a home party.
- Do not visit restaurants or bars after the end of business hours stipulated in the request to shorten business hours.
- Observe the "Kyoto Manners" at restaurants and bars.

- Dine at places with appropriate acrylic partitions and ventilation!
- Wear a mask when talking!
- Disinfect your hands before eating and when leaving a restaurant!
- Do not speak in loud voices when in a restaurant!
- Limit the time to 2 hours, and the group size to 4 people per table!

② While outside

- Thoroughly implement basic infection prevention measures when travelling between prefectures such as going home, making a trip or business trip etc.
- Refrain from outings and travelling based upon the ongoing infection situations, particularly with regards to areas where infections are on the rise.
- Act with the minimum number of people who are either family members or people you are usually together with, and avoid both crowded places and times
- If it is necessary to go out, refrain from un-necessary travel and visits between your home and your end destination to avoid the infection risk associated with movement.

③ While at school

- Continue to implement infection prevention measures by actively utilizing online classes at universities, etc.
- Conduct club activities in junior and senior high schools in phases, based on the actual situation of the infection.
- As there is an increase in infections in the younger generation, elementary schools, etc. should prevent their pupils and students with a fever from coming to school.

- Nursery schools, etc. should implement the infection prevention measures such as disinfecting fingers and hands of their children, ventilating common spaces, etc. and cooperate with parents to carry out infection measures inside facilities.

④ At workplaces

- Utilize teleworking or video conferences to reduce contact with other people.
- Take thorough infection prevention measures when switching locations, such as when using dining rooms, break rooms, locker rooms, on transport, etc.
- Promote a workplace environment where employees who wish to get vaccinated can swiftly get a shot without concern.

2. Request to restaurants to shorten business hours

(Request based on Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Special Measures Law)

[Requested details]

① Period

From 0:00 October 1st until 24:00 midnight on October 21st, 2021

② Target facilities and requested details

Targeted Facilities	Requested details
<p>【Restaurants, bars】 Restaurants and bars (including <i>izakaya</i>), coffee shops (excluding home delivery and take-out services)</p> <p>【Entertainment facilities※】 Restaurants with entertainment services, etc., that have received a restaurant business license under the Food Sanitation Law</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kyoto City, Uji City, Joyo City, Muko City, Nagaokakyo City, Yawata City, Kyotanabe City, Kizugawa City, Oyamazaki Town, Kumiya Town, Ide Town, Ujitawara Town, Kasagi Town, Wazuka Town, Seika Town, Minamiyamashiro Village ○ Outlets that have received a certification under the Kyoto Prefecture Certification System for COVID-19 Infection Prevention Measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Business hours From 5:00 am to 9:00 pm ▪ Alcohol beverage serving hours From 11:00 am to 8:30 pm ○ Outlets others than the above outlets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Business hours From 5:00 am to 8:00 pm ▪ Alcohol beverage serving hours From 11:00 am to 7:30 pm <p>Regarding the supply of alcohol, thoroughly comply with the following requests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Areas other than the above Regarding the supply of alcohol, thoroughly comply with the following requests.
<p>(Requests)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommend employees to undergo health checks. ▪ Regulate the coming and going of visitors. ▪ Prohibit the admission of persons with a fever or other similar symptoms. ▪ Prohibit the entrance of persons who do not wear a mask without any justifiable reasons or do not follow infection prevention measures (including the ejection of those who have already entered). ▪ Install hand disinfection equipment, carry out proper ventilation and disinfection of the facility. 	

- Inform visitors about wearing masks and other infection control measures.
- Take measures to prevent droplet infections, such as the installation of acrylic partitions or securing enough room for appropriate distances between individuals.
- Refrain from using karaoke equipment.
- Installation of CO2 sensors.
- Compliance with industry guidelines.

※Facilities that are expected to be used for long-term stays overnight, such as internet and manga cafes, are not subject to the shortening of business hours, but instead are subject to a shortening of the time for serving alcoholic beverages.

Make information public, such as entry arrangements for prevention of transmission, through URLs.

3. Request towards event organizers

(Request based on Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Special Measures Law)

[Requested details]

- ① Targeted area : Entirety of Kyoto Prefecture
- ② Period : From October 1st until October 31st, 2021
- ③ Maximum number of participants : 5,000 people or 50% of maximum capacity (10,000 people or less) of the venue, whichever is larger.
- ④ Capacity rate :
 - For events where it can be assumed there will be no loud cheering and the like : within 100% of maximum capacity of the venue
 - For events where it can be assumed that there will be loud cheering and the like : within 50% of maximum capacity of the venue※One seat should be left vacant between different groups, and there is no need for spaced seating within the same group (maximum group size of 5 people)
- ⑤ Event holding time : Until 9 pm (not based on the Special Measures Law)
- ⑥ Prior consultation : If you plan to hold an event that involves the nationwide participation of individuals, or an event with more than 1,000 participants, you must consult with the Kyoto Prefectural Consultation Office in advance.

4. Encouragement to shorten business hours for establishments other than restaurants

[Details]

① Targeted areas

- Kyoto City, Uji City, Joyo City, Muko City, Nagaokakyo City, Yawata City, Kyotanabe City, Kizugawa City, Oyamazaki Town, Kumiyama Town, Ide Town, Ujitawara Town, Kasagi Town, Wazuka Town, Seika Town, Minamiyamashiro Village

② Period

From 0:00 October 1st until 24:00 midnight on October 21st, 2021

③ Target facilities and requested details

Encourage the following facilities to shorten business hours, not based on the Special Measures Law, regardless of facility sizes

(Commercial facilities)

Type of facilities	Contents	Details
Commercial facilities	Large-scale retail outlets, department stores, shopping centers, supermarkets, etc.	Shortening of business hours : From 5 am to 9 pm (Excluding retail-related outlets which supply daily necessities and outlets that provide services necessary for daily life.)
Game facilities	Mahjong parlors, pachinko parlors, game centers, etc.	
Amusement facilities※	Private room video stores, shooting ranges, horse race betting offices, etc.	
Facilities including service industry	Super public bat houses, nail salons, beauty salons, relaxation salons, etc.	

※Among entertainment facilities, outlets that have received a restaurant business license under the Food Sanitation Law are subject to requests based on Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Special Measures Law for the shortening of business hours of restaurants, etc.

(Event related facilities)

Type of facilities	Contents	Details
Theaters, movie theaters, etc.	Theaters, viewing halls, movie theaters, planetariums, etc.	Shortening business hours : Until 9 pm
Meeting/exhibition facility	Assembly halls, public halls, exhibition halls, rental conference rooms, cultural halls, multipurpose halls	
Hotels/inns	Hotels and inns (limited to the parts of these facilities that are used for meetings)	

Sports facilities, amusement facilities	Gymnasium, skating rinks, swimming pools, indoor tennis courts, Kendo halls, bowling alleys, sports gyms, hot yoga facilities, yoga studios, baseball fields, golf courses, athletics fields, outdoor tennis courts, golf driving ranges, batting practice facilities, theme parks, amusement parks, etc.	
Museums, etc.	Museums, art galleries, etc.	
Wedding halls	Wedding venues	

- We request compliance with our requirements, such as the maximum number of attendees at events (Special Measures Law, Article 24, Paragraph 9).
- We request thorough infection prevention measures (thorough compliance with industry-specific guidelines).
- We request the appropriate management of visitors, and the prohibition of admission of persons with a fever and other similar symptoms.
- We request to make information public, such as entry arrangements for prevention of transmission, through URLs.