

State of Emergency in Kyoto

Kyoto Prefectural Government
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Outline of the state of emergency in Kyoto

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- ✂ Measures will be implemented in accordance with the guidance by the central government.

III. Contents

1. Refrain from outings

(Requests based on Article 45 Clause 1 of Special Measures Law)

- Refrain from non-essential and non-urgent outings both at day and night. Particularly do not go out after 8 p.m. if it isn't urgent, and avoid crowded places and times. Also do not visit restaurants or bars that don't practice prevention measures or comply with the shortening of business hours.
- Refrain from non-essential and non-urgent travelling outside of Kyoto Prefecture as much as possible
- Avoid drinking alcohol with others on the street or at park as it could raise infection risk.

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9)

- Refrain from visiting medical institutes or elderly care centers.
- Refrain from commuting, going to school, or participating in any social activities if you have symptoms such as a fever, etc.

2. Refrain from organizing events

(Request based on Article 24 Clause 9)

Request to comply with the following criteria for event organizers.

【Upper limit of the number of people】 5,000 people or less

【Capacity rates】 50% or less

If accommodation capacity is not fixed, secure distances between persons (at least 1m, and as wide as possible)

【Operating hours】 Until 9 pm

Upper limit of the number of people: Either a maximum 5,000 people or 50% of accommodation capacity – whichever is smaller

If an event involves nationwide movements of people, or more than 1,000 participants, an event organizer must consult with the Kyoto Prefectural Consultation Office in advance.

3. Restrictions on facility usage

Requests to restaurants and bars

(Requests based on Article 45 Clause 2)

Type of facility	Content	Request details	
Restaurants or bars	【Restaurants】 Restaurants (including Izakaya) , cafes (excluding delivery and take out services) 【Recreational facilities】 Karaoke boxes, etc. ※Outlets that have received a restaurant business license under the Food Sanitation Law	Serving alcohol (including bringing your own drink) or offering karaoke facilities	Shutdown
	【Karaoke places】 Karaoke places including those that have not received a restaurant business license under the Food Sanitation Law)	Not serving alcohol or offering no karaoke facility	Shorten business hours (from 5am till 8pm)

※ Facilities that are expected to be used for a purpose of staying for a long time during nighttime , such as Internet cafes and manga cafes, are not subject to these requests. However, request to limit the number of people to enter the facility at one time and refrain from serving alcohol and offering karaoke services.

【Requests for operation】

(Requests based on Article 45 Clause 2)

- Encourage check-ups for employees.
- Guide customers accordingly to prevent the infection, deny entry by visitors with a fever or other symptoms.
- Install equipment for hand disinfecting.
- Provide information on infection preventions measures, such as wearing a mask, to customers.
- Prohibit entry by customers who are not complying with prevention measures, for example wearing a mask, without a valid reason, and request customers who are within facilities and not complying with prevention measures without a valid reason to leave premises.
- Ensure proper ventilation of the facility.
- Prevent droplet infections through the installation of acrylic partitions, and ensure social distancing, etc.

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9)

- Install CO2 sensors, and comply with industry guidelines.

(Not based on the Special Measures Law but strongly encouraged)

- To make information public, such as entry arrangements for prevention of transmission, through URLs

Requests to establishments other than restaurants and bars

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9 of Special Measures Law)

(1) Facilities that is to be request to close business or shorten business hours

Type of facility	Content	Request details	
		Over 1000m ²	1000m ² or less
① Commercial facilities	Large sized retails stores, department stores, shopping arcades, supermarkets, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request to close business on weekends • Shortening of business hours (from 5 am till 8 pm on weekdays) • Excluding retail shops or services that offer daily necessities <p>(Implementation not based on the Law)</p> <p>Request to shorten business hours until 7 pm</p>	<p>(Implementations not based on the Law)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortening business hours from 5 am till 8 pm) (excluding retail shops or services that offer daily necessities) • Appropriate arrangements of entry
② Leisure facilities	Mahjong stores, pachinko parlors, game centers, etc.		
③ Entertainment facilities	Private room video stores, shooting rages, horse race betting offices		
④ Services (excluding stores that provide daily necessities)	Public bath houses, nail salons, beauty salons, relaxation salons, etc.		

※Request thorough prevention measures (including the prevention measures based on the guidelines per industry)

※Entry arrangements for the prevention of infections, and we request a ban on entry if a visitor has a fever or other symptoms.

※Request facilities over 1000m² not to hold events such as sales promotional event of daily necessities to attract customers on weekends.

(Daily necessities: foodstuff, medical products, hygiene products, regenerative medical products, fuels, agricultural materials, cosmetics, clothes, electric appliances, books, etc.)

(Implementations not based on the Law)

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

(2) Facilities that is to request the criteria as per event (regardless of the sizing)

Type of facility	Content	Request details
①Theatres, Cinema, etc.	Theatres, viewing halls, cinemas, planetarium, live houses, etc.	Upper limit of the number of people 5000 and 50% below occupancy rate. Shorten business hours until 9 pm
②Meeting, exhibition facilities	Assembly halls, public halls, exhibition halls, rental conference rooms, cultural halls, multipurpose halls	However, in cases other than when an event is being held we request that business hours be shortened to 8pm (Implementations not based on the Law)
③Hotels , inns,	Hotels, inns (only applying to assembly space)	•Entry arrangements •If it is an online format, not required to shorten duration hours
④Sports and leisure facilities	Gymnasiums, ice skating rinks, swimming pools, indoor tennis courts, Judo and kendo martial art halls, bowling alleys, sports clubs, hot yoga and yoga studio, baseball stadiums, golf courses, field and track, outdoor tennis courts, golf driving range, batting practice fields, theme parks, amusement parks, etc.	Upper limit of the number of people 5000 and 50% below occupancy rate. Over 1000m ² : Request to shorten business hours until 8 pm Up to 1000m ² : Encourage to shorten business hours until 8 pm However, If an event is held, request to shorten business hours until 9 pm. (Implementations not based on the Law)
⑤Museums	Museums, art museums, etc.	•Entry arrangements •If it is an online format, not required to shorten duration time
⑥Wedding halls	Wedding halls	•Refrain from providing alcoholic beverage and from using karaoke equipment (Article 45-2) •Shortening business hours(from 5am till 8pm) (Article 45-2) (Implementations not based on the Law) •Held with 1.5 hours •Number of participants: 50 people or less, or occupation rate: 50% or less, whichever is smaller
⑦Funeral halls	Funeral halls	(Implementations not based on the Law) •Refrain from providing alcoholic beverage

※Request thorough prevention measures (including the prevention measures based on the guidelines per industry)

※Entry arrangements for prevention of infections, and we request a ban on entry if a visitor has a fever or other symptoms.

(Implementations not based on the Law)

※To make information public, such as entry arrangements as a prevention measure, through URLs

(Regarding the Kyoto prefectural facilities currently closed under the state of emergency)

Whether or not these facilities will reopen will be decided after consultation with local governments.

(3) Other facilities

Type of facilities	Classification	Request details
① Social welfare facilities	Nursery, care centers for the elderly, etc.	Implement thorough prevention measures of the infection
② Schools, universities, cram school	Kindergarten, elementary school, junior high school, senior high school, school with special needs, university, vocational school, all other educational facilities, driving schools, cram schools, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refrain from extracurricular activities ▪ Utilize online format ▪ Thorough prevention measures of the infection to continue school activities, see Appendix1.
③ Library	Library	(Implementations not based on the Law) Appropriate entry arrangements
④ Commercial facilities	Supermarkets, convenience stores, gas station, etc.	Implement thorough prevention measures of the infection
⑤ Services (Outlets to provide daily essentials)	Outlets that operates daily essential services (beauty salons, public bath houses, dress rental, estate agency, pawn shop, veterinarian offices, laundromats, wedding and funeral services, garbage disposals)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Appropriate entry arrangements ▪ Refrain from offering alcohol and the use of karaoke facilities

※Request thorough prevention measures of the infection (thoroughly comply with the guideline by industry)

4. Request business operators regarding commuting to work, etc.

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

- Regarding commuting to the workplace, we aim to reduce the number of employees present by 70% through utilizing teleworking and promoting the taking of holiday leave.
- Aim not to work after 8 pm unless absolutely necessary for business continuity.
- Even when traveling to work is necessary, we strongly promote efforts to reduce contact with other people through methods such as staggered work hours and bicycle commuting.
- Strongly stick to the infection prevention measures at work (appropriate ventilation, utilise video conferences to reduce business trips, countermeasures for communal spaces at apartments/housing for staff), take measures to avoid “3C’s”, the “five situations” where the risk of infection is increased.
- Be cautious when switching locations, such as going to rest space, locker rooms, smoking rooms, etc.
- Practice per industry guidelines at work or at stores.
- For employees who are at risk of developing a serious illness from the infection, those who are pregnant, or those who have family member in such conditions, be aware of the infection risk and allow teleworking or staggered work hours based upon their request.

5. Requests to public transportation operators, etc.

(Not based on the Special Measures Law but strongly encouraged)

- Request cooperation from transportation companies, such as subways and buses, to bring forwards the time for the last train on weekdays, reduce service on weekends and holidays, and carry out temperature measurements at major terminals.
- We request the business operator to cooperate with outdoor lighting arrangements (excluding those necessary for crime prevention measures) such as turning off any unnecessary lights at night.

6. Requests to those who have symptoms such as a fever

(Requests based on Article 45 Clause 1 of the Special Measures Law)

- If you have symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat, or shortness of breath, you should not go to work or school, and you should consult with your doctor.

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9 of the Special Measures Law)

- Wear a mask properly even when at home, and make sure to frequently wash your hands.
- Stay in a separate room as much as possible and keep use of communal spaces to a minimum.

7. Requests to anyone who live with a person with symptoms such as a fever

(Requests based on Article 45 Clause 1 of the Special Measures Law)

- If anyone who you live with tests positive for the virus, and if you may have had close contact with them, all others living with said individual should also stay home for 14 days.

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9 of the Special Measures Law)

- If anyone whom you live with has symptoms such as a fever, you should properly wear a mask even when at home and you should make sure to frequently wash your hands. Secure an environment for recuperation by allocating a separate room or arranging a separation via partitions.
- When a cluster has occurred in the workplace, school, etc. of anyone whom you live with, be cautious and act similarly to the case of when anyone who you live with has symptoms such as a fever.

8. Requests to prevent infections at home

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9 of the Special Measures Law)

- Regularly check your temperature when you wake up. You should also check your temperature if you develop any symptoms or if you are feeling unwell.
- Wash your hands with soap and running water when you come home, and thoroughly clean your hands and each finger with alcohol-based disinfectant.
- Frequently wipe clean shared surfaces that are touched by hands such as door handles, light switches.
- Frequently ventilate rooms, including shared spaces, by opening windows and doors.

9. Requests regarding going to work or school

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9 of the Special Measures Law)

- You should properly wear a mask when on public transport.
- Do not talk when you are on board a form of public transport.
- Promote measures to reduce contact with other people through staggered working hours, and commuting via walking and bicycling.
- Promote a workplace environment where employees with concerns about their physical conditions do not have to hesitate to take days-off.

IV. Support to shortening business hours, etc.

Support to business establishments complying with the request to shutdown or shorten business hours based on the Special Measures Law.

(Reference)

Call center for inquiries from the prefectural residents and business operators regarding measures of the state of emergency

Inquiries to: Kyoto Prefectural Call Center for COVID-19 Guidelines

Telephone number: 075-414-5907

Open hours: Weekdays/holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the state of emergency.

Requests to universities

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9)

- Actively utilize online classes at universities, etc. to reduce the number of students coming to class at one time to 50% or less.
- Be sure to comply with university guidelines. In particular, take infection prevention measures such as introducing a permit system for students' extracurricular activities, canceling or postponing trip plans to other prefectures for competitions/ games. If such a trip cannot be cancelled or postponed, confirm if the prevention measures are being thoroughly conducted by the organizers, and conduct PCR testing in advance and confirm that the results are "negative" before going ahead.
- Cooperate with the COVID-19 monitoring tests, etc. at universities in the prefecture, which are being carried out by Kyoto Prefecture in cooperation with the national government.
- Refrain from dining with people before and after university classes and extracurricular activities.
(Strictly comply with “Kyoto Manners”)
- Thoroughly implement infection prevention measures at student dormitories.
- Alert students not to conduct the following:
 - No visiting restaurants or bars outside of their requested business hours
 - No partying with university club/circle members
 - No gathering with a large group or no drinking alcohol/staying overnight at a friend's apartment
 - No talking without a mask even during a meal.

Requests to junior and senior high schools

(Requests based on Article 24 Clause 9)

- Based on the actual situation of each school regarding commuting to school, take infection prevention measures such as staggering commuting hours to school to avoid congestion time of public transportation, or shortening each time for class to avoid a crowded situation right after school.
- Infection prevention measures regarding club activities in junior and senior high schools, including these activities being conducted only by students of each school, inside school premises, within 2 hours, and an accommodation ban, should be thoroughly implemented.
- Regarding participation in official competitions and presentations which lead to Kinki regional or national competitions and in which sufficient infection prevention measures are taken, confirm with an organizer in advance that the infection prevention measures are being taken.