

## Implementation of Emergency Special Measures to Contain the Rapid Spread of Infections

**(Special Measures Period : Monday, March 29, 2021 - Wednesday, April 21, 2021)**

### 1. Requests to Shorten Business Hours

For dining establishments in the areas listed below, we asked that business hours be shortened as follows. Businesses who cooperate with said request will receive a compliance subsidy at each location for the entire period applicable. If signs of the spread of infection is observed in other areas as well, the prefecture will consider adding said areas.

1.) Applicable Areas: Naha Public Health Center Service Area/Chubu Public Health Center Service Area, Excluding Outer Island Municipalities (20 Municipalities)

Naha, Itoman, Urasoe, Tomigusuku, Nanjo, Nishihara, Yonabaru, Haebaru, Yaese, Ginowan, Okinawa City, Uruma, Onna, Ginoza, Kin, Yomitan, Kadena, Chatan, Kitanakagusuku, Nakagusuku

2.) Business hours: from 5am to 9pm (alcohol served from 11am to 8pm)

3.) Target business types: restaurants, entertainment facilities, etc.

4.) Requesting period: Thursday, April 1 to Wednesday, April 21 21 days

5.) Compliance subsidy: 840,000 yen (if the compliance request was followed for the entire period of 21 days)

(\*1)Entertainment facilities (etc.) are: Cabaret, nightclubs, live houses, snack bars, dancehalls, pubs, (etc.) that possess a restaurant business license under the Food Sanitation Act.

### 2. As Much as Possible Limiting Going Out (To Residents and Visitors)

We request that except for tasks necessary to maintain your livelihood and health, such as: hospital visits, shopping for food, medicines, daily necessities, going to work, to refreshing your mind/body, or exercise/going for a walk that you refrain from any outings.

### 3. Precautions Against the Spread of Infection Through Group Meals (To Residents and Visitors)

When having group meals, please limit them to 4 people or less and within 2 hours. As much as possible, keep gatherings to those who you are regularly with such as family you live with or close friends.

When holding group meals, please use establishments displaying the Shisā Sticker (etc.), keep in mind infection prevention measures such as not sitting face to face, and as much as possible try not to use crowded places.

When eating or drinking avoid conversation as much as possible. Outside of when you are eating or drinking please make sure to wear a mask. When utilizing dining establishments, please cooperate in the infection prevention measures requested.

For karaoke, use establishments that take thorough infection prevention measures, such as ventilation and installation of acrylic boards, as well as do not forget to wear a mask.

Do not participate in any group meals if you are not feeling well and do not allow those who are not feeling well to participate any group meals!

\*"Group meals" is intended mainly for events focused around eating and drinking. Lectures, explanatory meetings, concerts, performing arts events, wedding receptions, and other events shall be judged based on 'Okinawa Prefecture Covid-19 Guidelines for Holding Events '.

4. Following the "New Lifestyle" and "New Travel Etiquette" (To Residents and Visitors)

All residents and visitors are requested to wear masks, frequently wash and disinfect their hands, avoid the Three Cs (closed spaces, crowded places, and close-contact settings) and thoroughly comply with the "New Lifestyle" and "New Travel Etiquette". We also ask that you please pay special attention when visiting elderly people.

When going out, please avoid busy times and areas and refrain from eating at crowded places especially on weekdays and holidays.

We ask for refrain from travel with large groups of people. However, for school trips, we ask that the "Okinawa School Trip Infection Prevention Tourism Guidelines" be followed.

Please monitor your health by measuring your body temperature every day. If you feel unwell, please take off from work or school, refrain from going out, and consult your doctor or a call center (098-866-2129).

5. Measures at the Workplace (To Businesses)

Please make sure employees closely monitor their health. Employees who are not feeling well should not come to work and employees who are not feeling well should not be allowed to come to work.

We ask that employees wear masks and avoid the "5 Situations" that increase the risk of infection. Further when working from home or traveling to and from work, be careful to avoid the Three C's. Specifically, be careful when "Switching Locations"(break room, smoking area, changing room) at work.

Workplace representatives and senior management are encouraged to take responsibility for preventing infections within their workplaces by thoroughly implementing the "New Lifestyle".

6. Measures at Stores and Facilities (To Businesses)

Please follow the "Guidelines for Preventing the Spread of Infection", and conduct sales activities after thoroughly implementing measures to prevent the Three C's, restricting the entry of individuals with a fever, etc., the set up hand sanitizer/disinfectant, constant ventilation of rooms, and minimum BGM volume in the store.

Please make active use of the contact tracing application "COCOA" and the LINE application based close contact notification system "RICCA" recommended by the prefecture. In addition, regarding the "Shisā Sticker," a declaration of thorough infection prevention measures, we ask that you display it at the store after attaching a QR code appropriately to ensure thorough infection prevention measures.

7. Travel Across Prefectural Borders

(Residents)

For residents planning to travel to or from outside of the prefecture we ask that in advance of traveling you closely monitor your health and take thorough infection prevention measures. However, we request for refrain in all non-essential and non-emergency travel to and from prefectures requesting for refrain in going out.

\*Prefectures requesting for refrain in going out (as of March 29<sup>th</sup>: Miyagi Prefecture, Yamagata Prefecture, Tokyo Prefecture, Chiba Prefecture, Saitama Prefecture, Kanagawa Prefecture)

We have a system in place that allows anyone who wishes to take a PCR test for a low cost, as such we recommend that you take the test before your departure. In the case that you test positive, or are not feeling well, please cancel or postpone your departure outside the prefecture.

Further, even for a day trip, treat the two weeks following your return to Okinawa as a "self-health monitoring period" wear a mask when at home and monitor your health. If you are worried, please consider taking PCR test.

(To Visitors)

For those planning to travel to Okinawa from outside of the prefecture we ask that in advance of traveling you closely monitor your health and take thorough infection prevention measures. In the case that you are not feeling well please cancel or postpone your trip. However, for those of you traveling for prefectures where refrain in going out is being requested, ask that you avoid any non-essential and non-emergency travel to the prefecture.

Please take a PCR or antigen test in advance of your departure, if it is positive, stop or postpone your trip. We have established a system "NAPP (Naha Airport PCR test Project)" where PCR testing can be performed at Naha Airport in the case that you are unable to get a PCR test before entering the prefecture.

8. Travel to, from, and Between Outer Islands (To Resident and Visitors)

We ask for restraint in traveling to outer islands who have requested as such.

Further, for other outer islands, due to the fact that they have a vulnerable medical system, for movement between the main island and outer islands, and from outer island to outer islands. In advance of traveling please closely monitor your health and take thorough infection prevention measures. In the case that you are not feeling well please cancel or postpone your trip.

For those traveling to outer islands, we recommend that you contact your local PCR testing center or NAPP and be tested before your departure.

9. Regarding the Hosting of Camps/Training Camps of Various Competitive Athletic Organizations (etc.) (To Hosting Organizations)

In preparation for the upcoming 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games, foreign sports organizations will come to Okinawa for camps and host town exchanges and various sports organization from Japan will come for camps/training camps. In hosting these organizations we ask that they obtain negative test results by PCR or antigen test within 72 hours prior to entering the prefecture.

10. When Holding Events (To Residents and Visitors)

The scale for holding events will continue to be as follows.

Event Scale: 5,000 or less people

Maximum Capacity: Indoors: 50% or less

Outdoors: keep enough distance between people

(as much as possible 2m)

In addition, we also request that the "Okinawa Prefectural Guidelines for Holding Events" be followed. However, if it is not possible to take sufficient measure to prevent infection based on the guidelines, we request that cancelation or postponement of the event be carefully considered.

11. For Seasonal Events (etc.) (To Residents and Visitors)

For seasonal events we ask to be careful of the following. However, we ask those who are not feeling well to not participate in the events and those who are not feeling well be not allowed to participate in the events

1.) For School/Work Entrance Ceremonies

Ceremony organizers are requested to hold events after considering, holding the event at different times, in a dispersed fashion, or online, and take thorough measures to prevent infection, such as having participants wear masks, disinfect their hands and ventilate, as well as consider reducing the size of the event.

We also ask for the consideration of online participation for those showing symptoms.

2.) For Welcome Parties

Based on the caution points of the national governments basic response plan, please refrain from the holding of welcome parties, parties for new students, and thank you parties, start of the year events, that involve eating and drinking.

3.) For the Shiimii Festival

When holding the Shiimii Festival, we request for it to be with family members to whom you regularly with live with and as much as possible a small number of people and for a short amount of time.

12. Response at Schools (To School Administrators)

We continue to ask that infection prevention measures in club activities, extracurricular activities and student dormitories be thoroughly implemented. Further at university's we request that students should be cautioned to infection prevention measures at social gatherings (etc.).

13. Cooperation with Municipalities and Affiliated Organizations

To ensure that all prefectural residents are informed of and cooperate with infection prevention measures, municipalities are encouraged to use public information vehicles and disaster warning systems, and affiliated organizations are encouraged to cooperate in public information and awareness raising through the use of internal emails and newsletters.

In addition, in order to enhance the effectiveness of the emergency special measures, in cooperation with municipalities and affiliated organizations, we will conduct patrols and other activities to confirm the status of requests for shorter business hours and compliance with industry-specific guidelines at stores and offices, and to ensure their implementation.

\*The above request for cooperation is being made based on Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Act on Special Measures for Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Preparedness and Response and Okinawa Prefecture Novel Corona Virus Control Ordinance