

The State of Emergency for Kyoto Prefecture has Expired

- On May 21, 2020 the government removed the state of emergency for Kyoto, Osaka, and Hyogo Prefectures. Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba, Saitama, and Hokkaido remain under a state of emergency.
- Starting May 23 at midnight, shutdown measures in Kyoto will gradually loosen in the following ways.

1. Regarding Going Out

- (1) Please refrain from traveling to Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba, Saitama, and Hokkaido. We ask that you refrain from all non-urgent and non-essential travel between prefectures.
- (2) As before, please avoid areas where practicing the “3 C’s” are difficult in order to reduce risk of exposure to clusters.
- (3) Please adapt a way of life that most reduces your and your loved one’s risk of exposure.

2. Regarding the Re-opening of Events, Entertainment Venues, etc.

- (1) Nation-wide events will be cancelled or postponed.
- (2) For other events, please follow these re-opening guidelines.
 - Fewer than 100 people in stores, staff at half normal capacity.
 - Fewer than 200 people in outside areas, people should be as far apart as possible (at least 2 meters).
- (3) Even in establishments where the number of people is below those stated above, areas with poor ventilation with people talking at close distance will not be permitted to reopen at this time.

3. Using Facilities

- (1) All facilities previously shown to have clusters will remain closed.

Night clubs, karaoke establishments, live houses, sporting gyms, etc.
- (2) Universities may reopen once they have prepared effective protection measures.

In accordance with university prevention guidelines, an infection prevention manual will be published that takes into account each university’s circumstances. Once faculty and students are prepared, universities may resume.
- (3) All other facilities must continue to enforce appropriate virus prevention methods.

4. Work Commuting, Business Trips, etc.

Employers should take measures to reduce human contact by encouraging work from home, staggered work hours, commuting by bicycle, etc.

All businesses, stores, etc. should implement effective virus prevention methods in accordance to their respective circumstances.

Details in English by Kyoto Prefecture

<http://www.pref.kyoto.jp/documents/0521en.pdf>