

Measures to prevent re-spreading of
infections based upon
a period of elevated caution

April 2nd, 2021

Kyoto Prefectural Government

1. Request to citizens of Kyoto and business operators

Period: From April 5th to April 21st, 2021

1) Refrain from traveling to and from areas where the infection is expanding

- Refrain from traveling to and from areas where the infection is expanding, such as Osaka prefecture, Hyogo Prefecture, Tokyo Metropolitan area, Saitama Prefecture, Chiba Prefecture, and Kanagawa Prefecture
- Consider the necessity for traveling even for areas within Kyoto Prefecture before acting.

2) Request to restaurants and bars to shorten business hours

① Targeted areas

Kyoto City, Uji City, Joyo City, Mukou City, Nagaokakyo City, Yawata City, Kyotanabe City, Kizugawa City, Oyamazaki Town, Kumiyama Town, Ide town, Ujidawara Town, Kasagi Town, Wazuka Town, Seika Town, Minamiyamashiro Village

② Period From 00:00, April 5th to 24:00, April 21st, 2021

③ Content

Request restaurants and entertainment business with restaurant business licenses authorized under the Food Sanitation Act to shorten the opening hours of their outlets till 9 p.m. (Alcoholic beverages are to be served from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.)

Type of business outlet	Request
【restaurant business】 Restaurants (including Izakaya), cafes, etc. (excluding food delivery, takeout services)	Request to shorten opening hours open from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m.
【Entertaining business】 Bars, Karaoke boxes, with restaurant business licenses authorized under the Food Sanitation Act	11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. for the serving of alcoholic beverages

※Excluding internet and manga cafes, etc. that are aimed to be used as accommodation facilities by users

Grant for outlets that follow the request for shortening their opening hours

Grant	40,000 yen per outlet per day (excluding regular holidays) in response to requests for shortening working hours
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3) Organizing of events

Request event organizers to meet the following criteria:

- ① Upper limit of the number of people
Larger cases - either a maximum of 5000 people, or 50% of accommodation capacity (10,000 people or less)
※In the case of no cheering : 100% of capacity
- ② Operating hours: Until 9 p.m.
- ③ Prior consultation:
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.

2. Cooperation to thoroughly prevent a resurgence of infections

- 1 We urge each everyone to both not spread and avoid becoming infected with the virus!
 - We request everyone to take basic prevention practices such as wearing a mask, washing hands, and avoiding the 3Cs.
 - We request people to act cautiously during various events or outdoor activities in order to reduce close-contact setting opportunities.
 - Most of the infections take place via droplets through the nose and mouth. Please wear a mask when talking.

- 2 Thorough implementation to prevent the transmission of the virus at restaurants and bars
 - Please cooperate with the “Kyoto Manners” when eating and drinking.

<Kyoto Manners>

- ① Dine at places with appropriate partitions and ventilation !
- ② Wear a mask when talking!
- ③ Disinfect your hands before eating and after leaving a restaurant!
- ④ Do not speak in loud voices when at a restaurant!
- ⑤ Limit the time to 2 hours, and the group size to 4 or less!

- Refrain from partying or home partying with individuals who aren't members of your immediate family that you live with
- Please practice a new way of eating out, *koshoku*, eating alone, and *mokushoku*, silent eating.
- Thorough implementation of measures such as wearing a mask to prevent the spread of the virus, such as droplet transmission at places with karaoke entertainment facilities.
- If customers such as a group of family members are booking a table for more than 5

people, please ask them for their contact details in order to track and trace the virus in the case that the infection is confirmed.

3 Refrain from going to work

- Aim to reduce the number of commuting employees by 70% through teleworking.
- If teleworking is difficult, promote staggered working days, working hours, as well as taking annual leaves to avoid the crowd at work.

3. Measures to prevent a resurgence of the infection among university students

- Universities should send emergency emails to all students warning them to be vigilant against the infection.
- Hold guidance for new students regarding infection prevention measures such as “Kyoto manners”.

【Caution students not to cause cluster or spread the infection】

No dining with people before and after class or extracurricular activities. Make sure to practice the “Kyoto Manners”

- No partying for welcoming new students, or with university club members
- No acting together with a large number of people, no staying overnight at friend’s apartments
- No talking without a mask, even during meals

4. Testing to identify infected persons sooner

- Implementing monitoring inspections for university students, downtown areas, and for day care services

[Spot distribution model]

- Implemented for people who pass through or visit busy places, such as stations
(A total of 1,473 test kits were distributed in 8 days from March 5th to March 28th, of which 3 were suspected to be positive)

[Group inspection model]

- Implemented for participants of club activities and for facility trainees at universities
(Test kits have been distributed to a total of 140 people over the three-day period from March 29th to March 31st)
- Will implement for employees and those who request it at day care service offices

(Scheduled to start from early April and will target approximately 230 people from 3 business establishments in the prefecture)

- Will implement for restaurant employees in downtown areas
(Scheduled to start from April 7th for about 650 people)
- Will implement for fitness club employees
(Scheduled to start from April 12th for about 20 people)

○ Continued testing of staff at facilities for the elderly

As a new intensive implementation plan based on the national basic coping policy, testing of staff at facilities for the elderly and the like will be continued in Kyoto Prefecture and in Kyoto City from April onwards

- (1) Target facilities: Facilities for the elderly and persons with disabilities / facilities for children (931 facilities throughout the prefecture)
- (2) Target number: Approximately 32,000 staff members engaged in the above facilities.
- (3) Implementation period: Late April to June 30th, 2021.
- (4) Implementation method: PCR testing
 - * If the test result is positive, the health center will carry out an active epidemiological survey and dispatch an "In-facility infection support team" to the facility in question

[Status of tests conducted from February to March] 717 facilities, 30,419 people, of which 2 were positive (0.007%)

5. Improving the safety of dining in Kyoto

Implement the three pillars of one-level higher safety measures, which are "support to improve outreach-style safety measures", "implementation of outreach-style management counseling" and "increasing public awareness of "Kyoto Manners" and inspections regarding the implementation of requests to shorten the business hours at restaurants".

- 1) Support to improve outreach-style safety measures
 - In order to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infections when dining, we will combine hardware and software measures to implement safety measures for restaurants in the prefecture. An outreach-style briefing session will be held to widely disseminate the purposes and goals of the support system.
- 2) Implementation of outreach-style management counseling

- At the same venue, a management counseling session will be set up by a registered management consultant to support the improvement of management in businesses. Support business operations through carrying out “a program to both financially and operationally support business operators”

3) Increasing public awareness of "Kyoto Manners" and inspections regarding the implementation of requests to shorten the business hours at restaurants

- Leaflets outlining the “Kyoto Manners” will be handed out, and informative activities in areas where restaurants are concentrated will take place to educate citizens and businesses
- Prefectural governments, municipalities, etc. cooperate to investigate the situation at businesses that have been requested to shorten business hours, and will make individual requests to outlets that are open instead.