

Regarding to the State of Emergency Declaration

Announced on Tuesday, August 17, 2021

On Tuesday, August 17, the national government added Fukuoka Prefecture to the list of areas to be under the state of emergency and to take the necessary measures to be implemented. In response to this, Fukuoka Prefectural Government's Corona Task Force held a meeting and decided on the details of the measures to be taken.

On Thursday, August 12, the number of new cases reached a record high of 1,040, and the number cases continues to be high.

The number of new cases per 100,000 people in the last one week was 106.5. The number is comparable to that of prefectures in the emergency measures zones, and the infection situation is extremely severe.

As the number of new cases has increased, the hospital bed occupancy rate has also risen; as of Monday, August 16, the hospital bed occupancy rate was 60.7% and the critical care bed occupancy rate was 13.8%.

Five out of the seven indicators for determining the stage indicated by the national index is equivalent to stage 4.

On Monday, August 16, we were informed by Minister Nishimura that the national government was considering adding Fukuoka Prefecture under the state of emergency.

Today, the national government added Fukuoka Prefecture to be declared under a state of emergency and emergency measures need to be implemented.

Under a State of Emergency

August 20 (Fri.) - September 12 (Sun.)

Fukuoka Prefectural Government's Corona Task Force held a meeting today, and decided to implement emergency measures from Friday, August 20 to Sunday, September 12.

Request to Prefectural Residents

We request to all prefectural residents to continue to do the following

To All Prefectural Residents

Especially after
20:00

**Including daytime
Refrain From
Unnecessary Outings**



**Refrain from
unnecessary travel
across prefectures**

Using restaurants and bars



Do not enter **restaurants and bars that do not comply with the prefectural government's requests**



Small groups, short time

Basic infection prevention practices

Even after
vaccination

Wear Masks
Washing hands
Avoiding the
three "C"s

Refrain from unnecessary outings, including during the daytime, especially after 20:00.

Even if you need to go out, please do so in small groups with your family or other people you usually spend time with. Avoid crowded places and times.

Refrain from unnecessary moving across prefectures.

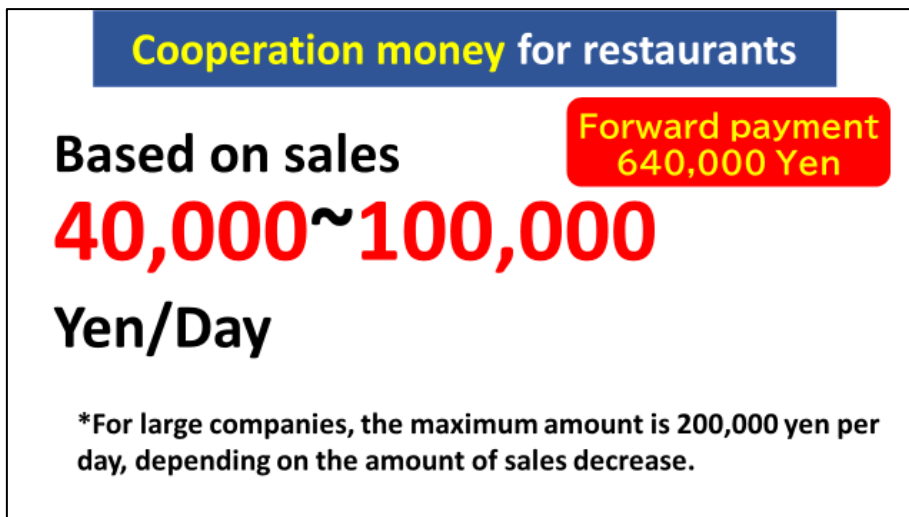
Refrain from using restaurants, etc. that do not have thorough infection prevention measures in place, or that have not responded to requests to close or shorten business hours.

Thoroughly implement basic infection prevention practices, such as wearing a mask and avoiding the three "C", even after vaccination.

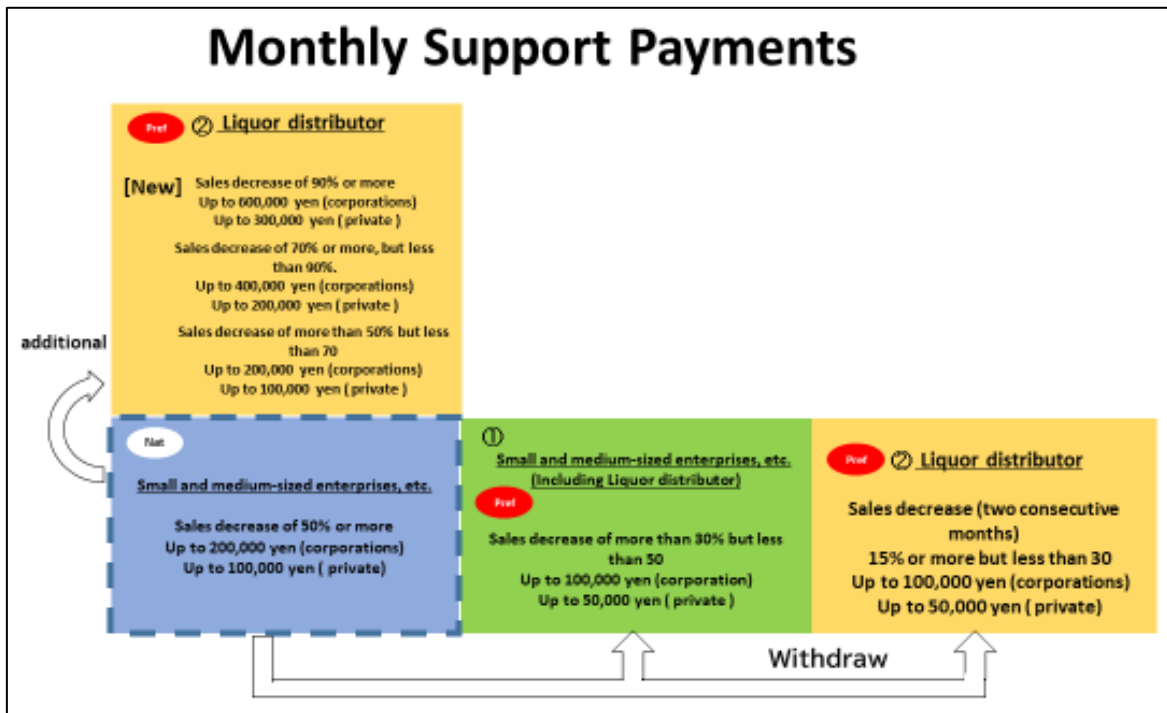


We would like to ask all restaurants and bars that serve alcoholic beverages or karaoke equipment throughout the prefecture to close. Patrons are not allowed to bring in alcoholic beverages into the restaurants.

If you do not provide alcoholic beverages or karaoke equipment, please shorten your business hours to between 5:00 and 20:00.



Restaurants that respond to the requests will be granted a cooperation fee. The amount ranges from 40,000 yen to 100,000 yen per day, depending on the amount of sales. For those restaurants that have received this money in the past, we will provide 640,000 yen (40,000 x 16 days) as a partial payment in advance. In addition, restaurants that stop serving alcoholic beverages and close or shorten their business hours will also receive rent support. (Monthly rent: 2/3, maximum 200,000 yen)



For those businesses affected by the suspension of alcohol services, support will be provided on top of or alongside the national government's monthly support payment. The Fukuoka Prefectural Government will also provide a wide range of its own support to small and medium-sized businesses that are not eligible for the national government's monthly support. These "Monthly Support Funds for Small and Medium Enterprises in Fukuoka Prefecture" will be provided for September in addition to August.

To facilities that attract visitors

Request for **facilities that attract visitors (over 1000 m2)**

Business hours until 20:00
(Daily necessities and services are not subject to request)

- **Large-scale retail stores, electronic retail stores, shopping centers, department stores, etc.**
- **Pachinko parlors, game centers, etc.**
- **Super public baths, esthetic shops, etc.**

Request for **facilities that attract visitors (over 1000 m2)**

Limited number of people, open until 20:00
Open until 21:00 during events

- **Theater, movie theater, exhibition hall, etc.**
- **Gymnasiums, swimming pools, tennis courts, bowling alleys, golf courses, etc.**
- **Sports clubs, hot yoga, yoga studios**

For large scale facilities over 1,000 square meters, business hours should be limited to 20:00.
(Excluding daily necessities and services)

Request for large-scale commercial facilities

Organize and guide visitors!

Half the number of visitors during the peak hours in food sections etc. in department stores

In large-scale commercial facilities (such as shopping centers, department stores, and electronics retail stores with a floor space of more than 1,000 square meters), please ensure that businesses take measures to prevent infection, such as controlling and limiting the number of people, and providing guidance. For events that are expected to be crowded, such as bargain sales and time sales, please implement especially appropriate measures. In the food sections of department stores, etc., where the infection risk is high, please organize the number of visitors so that the number of visitors is less than half of the number during the peak hours.

Support for Large-scale Facilities and Tenants [Fukuoka Prefectural Government Cooperative Grant]

$$\text{Money per day} \times \frac{\text{Request Reduced time}}{\text{Regular business hours}}$$

	Large-scale facilities	Tenant
Amount per day	200,000 yen for every 1,000 m ²	20,000 yen for every 1,00 m ²

Facilities that attract customers and tenants that respond to the request to shorten business hours will be provided with cooperation money. The amount of the cooperation money will be calculated by multiplying the "amount per day*" by the "percentage of hours reduced in

response to the request. (*Large-scale visitor-attracting facilities: 200,000 yen per day for every 1,000 square meters/tenants: 20,000 yen per day for every 100 square meters)

Events

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Limit to **5,000 people**
or
Capacity ratio **50%**

- No alcohol
- End at 21:00

The event is limited to 5,000 people and 50% capacity. No alcoholic beverages will be served, and the event must be held until 21:00.

For the time being, the event will be held until August 31, and after September, another announcement will be made based on the national government's decision.

Request to Businesses

Attendance to work

- Implement **work from home**
- Thorough infection prevention measures are also taken in **Break rooms, changing rooms, smoking rooms**
- **Management of employees' health condition**
(Use of simple antigen test kits, etc., refraining from going to work in case of fever, etc.)

Attendance
70%
reduction

Clusters in business are becoming more frequent. The Prefectural government ask all businesses to aim to reduce the number of employees coming to work by 70%. In addition, we ask that you take thorough measures to manage the health condition of your employees, such as recommending that they be tested with simple antigen kits, and refraining from coming to work if they show symptoms such as fever.

In addition, we request the following

- Thoroughly promote work from home, and even when employees do go to work, strongly promote staggered work hours, bicycle commuting, and other measures to reduce contact with other people.
- Work hours after 20:00 should be shortened, except when it is necessary to continue business.

Pay attention to the changeover of places such as break rooms, changing rooms, and smoking rooms, and thoroughly implement infection prevention measures.

Employees should be reminded to take thorough infection prevention measures, both inside and outside the workplace. Particularly ask employees to strictly refrain from using restaurants and other establishments that have not responded to requests to close or shorten business hours.

Regarding to Schools

Request to Schools

● **Activities with high risk of infection** (physical contact, shouting) should not be conducted

● **Extracurricular classes** or **club activities** should be conducted.

Excludes activities for qualifications and other career guidance; and participation in official competitions, except for the minimum necessary activities for such participation.

School activities should be carried out in accordance with basic infection prevention measures, such as avoiding three “C”s and wearing masks, and activities with a high risk of infection, such as those involving physical contact and loud vocalizations, should not be carried out. Students are requested not to take part in extracurricular classes or club activities, except for those related to the acquisition of qualifications or other career guidance, participation in official competitions, and the minimum necessary activities for these.

Medical Institutions

The Prefectural Government continues to work on strengthening its medical institutions. Regarding to hospital beds, we have been trying to increase the number of beds as needed with the cooperation of medical institutions, and we have just secured 10 new beds today. The total number of hospital beds is now 1,433 (202 of them are serious care beds).

A total of 2,106 rooms have been secured at 10 temporary accommodation facilities. The administration of neutralizing antibody drugs (so-called "antibody cocktail therapy") to residents who are at risk of becoming seriously ill, which was started yesterday, will be promoted to prevent serious illnesses and avoid overcrowding of critical care beds.

Pulse oximeters will be loaned to all residents receiving home treatment, and health monitoring will be thoroughly conducted. On weekdays, the public health center responds to inquiries about fever and other illnesses. For consultations during the night or on holidays, please call the dedicated holiday and night phone number.

In addition, for those who live alone and have difficulty securing food, retort food is delivered free of charge.

Oxygen stations

Oxygen Station Start at the end of August



In addition, a new Oxygen Stations will be set up by the end of August. An oxygen station will be set up to provide oxygen and other treatment (24 hours a day) to people on standby at home whose symptoms have worsened to the point where they need to be hospitalized.

The station will accept patients upon request from the public health center or the fire department and administer oxygen and medication as necessary until the hospital where the patient will be hospitalized is can accept the patient.

Currently, preparations are underway to set up the center in a medical institution that has space for oxygen equipment among the medical institutions that accept COVID-19 patients, and it is scheduled to open by the end of August.

Let's all work together, prefectural residents and businesses, to contain this infection.