

Regarding to the extension of the state of emergency declaration

On February 2, it was announced by the national government that the period of the state of emergency would be extended until March 7. Based on the current infection situation and the healthcare systems, Fukuoka Prefecture has been designated as a target area.

We understand the inconvenience efforts from the prefectural residents and businesses, but we ask for everyone's continued cooperation. However, if the infection situation and the healthcare system improves, upon hearing the opinions from experts we will request the national government to lift the declaration early.

Therefore, we would like to request the following for the cooperation of the residents and businesses of the prefecture to so we can withdraw from the area subject to the state of emergency as soon as possible.

(1) To prefectural residents

Request to Prefectural Residents

(Request based Article 45, Paragraph 1 of the Act on Special Measures)

Including
during the
daytime

Refrain from unnecessary outings

Refrain from traveling across prefectures or to areas where the infection has spread as much as possible.

*** Excluding cases where it is necessary to maintain daily life and for health**

We ask that you refrain from unnecessary outings, both day or night, except when necessary to maintain life and health. Particularly, going out after 20:00. In doing so, refrain from unnecessary travel between prefectures or to areas where the infection is spreading as much as possible.

(2) For restaurants and bars

Request to restaurants

(Request based Article 24, Paragraph 9 of the Act on Special Measures)



Shortened business hours (5:00 to 20:00)

*** Alcoholic beverages to be served from 11:00 to 19:00**

Until 24:00 on March 7 (Sunday)



Take thorough precautions in accordance with the guidelines.

Displaying of infection prevention stickers, etc.



We ask for restaurants and bars to keep their business hours from 5:00 to 20:00. Alcoholic beverages

will be served from 11:00 to 19:00 until March 7th.

We ask that you continue to take thorough infection prevention practices in accordance with the guidelines and display the "Infection Prevention Sticker".

We would like to ask for the continued understanding and cooperation of all restaurants and bars to shorten their hours of operation so that we can withdraw the target area as soon as possible.

Fukuoka Prefecture will provide a second phase of cooperation grant for restaurants and bars that cooperate in shortening their business hours from 0:00 on Monday, February 8 to 24:00 on Sunday, March 7 to prevent the spread of infection. Details on how to apply will be announced later.

[Fukuoka Infection Prevention Cooperation Grant]

Phase 1: Shortened business hours from January 16 to February 7, up to 1.38 million yen

Phase 2: Shortened business hours from February 8 to March 7, up to 1.68 million yen

(3) Commuting to Work etc.

Request for workers



Work from home and rotating works

If you go to work, use staggered work hours and/or commute by bicycle.

Goal to reduce about 70% employees going to work



Reduce working after 20:00, except when necessary for business continuity.



Take infection prevention practices in break rooms, changing rooms, etc.

Displaying of infection prevention stickers, etc.



To reduce contact with other people, we want to aim for a reduce the number of employees who go to work by 70% even more, by either work from home, rotating work hours and such.

We also ask for your cooperation in reducing work hours after 20:00, unless it is necessary for business continuity.

We ask that you continue to take thorough infection prevention practices in accordance with the guidelines and display the "Infection Prevention Sticker".

(4) Other

We request the same measures regarding to facilities other than restaurants, restrictions on holding events, and schools to continue.

The prefectural government will do its utmost to ensure that the state of emergency declaration is lifted as soon as possible, and we ask for the understanding and cooperation of all residents and businesses in the prefecture.