

KOHO JOETSU



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2020's National Census survey will start

A census worker will start visiting your home and distributing census paper from September

- After explaining about the survey, a census worker will ask you for information aimed only at distributing census paper on your household such as the number of household members(male/female), the name of householder and your way of response. This communication will be done basically through the intercom of your home and finish in about five minutes.
- The census paper will be distributed through a mailbox of your home.
 - ※ We will try our best to prevent the spread of infections by wearing a face mask when your home doesn't have the intercom.

You can respond to the census on the Internet or by sending back the answer sheet by mail from September through October.

Time for responding

Internet: September 14th (Mon) through October 7th (Wed)

Mail : October 1st (Thu) through October 7th (Wed)

- ★ Response over the Internet is very convenient.
 - You can respond by using smartphone as well as personal computer
 - You can respond anytime 24 hours a day with just a 10-minute to complete.
 - You can prevent omissions and/or errors by error check functions.

Respond over the Internet or post your answer sheet by October 7th

- A census worker can collect your answer sheet if it is difficult for you to post it.
- The city will call you if there is anything uncertain after checking your sheet.

Q&A on the National Census

- Q Individual families with a different residence certificate live in a single house
 A When the families actually share a house and living expenses with each other, please response as a single family.
- Q Our move before October 1st has already fixed.
 A You will be surveyed in your new address.
- Q We have a registered address in other town/city but live in Joetsu city.
 A Please response in the current address (Joetsu city)

Be careful of fraud surveys

The National Census never demands you for money, ask for your banks account's PIN or credit-card number.



Countermeasures you need practice against the infections when you evacuate

Please consider evacuating not only to evacuation centers but to other safer places/areas

It is important for you to take evacuation measures without hesitation when you are at risk from disasters. Many evacuees, however, to a designated evacuation center/area could increase the risk of infections. Escaping to a designated evacuation center/area does not always mean the evacuation.

In order to avoid evacuation centers/areas crowded with many people, please check the risks regarding possible disasters around your home beforehand by referring to the Hazard Maps, and consider other evacuations such as going upstairs at home (a.k.a. vertical evacuation), escaping to high and robust buildings, spending at houses of people you know, relatives, or staying and sleeping inside your car that must be parked at safe areas.

Points for evacuation when there is a danger of spreading infections

Point 1 •Please consider evacuating to houses of people you know, relatives or going upstairs (a.k.a. vertical evacuation) at your home.	Point 2 Evacuate with personal hygiene items such as a thermometer, masks and hand sanitizer. 
Point 3 Frequently wash hands after you evacuated and properly ventilate the rooms where you have evacuated. 	Point 4 Regularly check your health condition by measuring your body temperature. If you start feeling sick after evacuation, inform anyone around you (a staff member when you are in an evacuation center) of your conditions immediately.

Checklist for items you need to take when evacuating

- Extra clothes•daily necessities Emergency food Water
- Nursery items/nursing care products Medicine Ground sheet/picnic blanket
- Money, bankbook and personal seal Health insurance card
- Identification card Helmet/disaster prevention hood
- Mobile phone Portable battery•external battery charger
- Flashlight Radio batteries
- Thermometer Mask Hand sanitizer Towel
- Moist towelletes Slippers Plastic bag



- Try to evacuate earlier
- Prepare in advance. You will never be able to predict disasters.
- Ensure yourself at your home when the areas around you are dangerous and/or during the night.
- Be ready to be self-sufficient for at least *three days*.