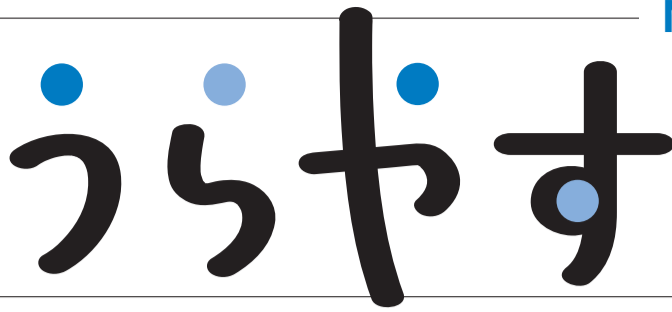




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**Population and No. of Households in Urayasu**

Population: 169,210  
Male: 82,258  
Female: 86,952  
Households: 83,034  
Foreign Residents: 4,117  
(As of September 30, 2022)

# Plan Now and Practice Fire Safety!

## November 9<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> will be National Autumn Fire Prevention Week



Autumn, when the air becomes dry and chilly, is a season in which fires are more likely to occur due to heating equipment and other electrical devices. Our everyday actions at home can even become the cause of a fire. Let's check the following scenarios that may cause fires to break out.

### Hidden Dangers! Fire Causes & Preventions

Many of the home fires that occurred in Urayasu City in 2021 were caused by electronic products and electrical wiring devices catching fire.

#### Electrical Devices

##### ⚠ Dropping a mobile battery can ignite a fire!

The impact from falling on surfaces like hard floors can cause it to catch fire.

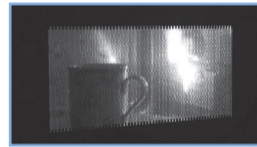


[Tips from a fireman]

The device may catch fire after a little time has passed since the initial impact from the drop. Defective products may even catch fire without being dropped, so please make sure to use electronic products that have been approved for safety with a PSE mark.

##### ⚠ Fires can be caused by an overheating microwave oven!

Microwaving products for longer than the specified time or heating foods without placing it on a plate can result in a fire. In particular, food stains that are left inside a microwave can catch fire when electrical waves concentrate on the food stains and carbonize it, becoming a cause of ignition.



[Tips from a fireman]

Heating up frozen foods for longer than the specified time or overheating oily foods may cause a fire to occur. Also, make sure to clean the inside of your microwave frequently, as food stains can be a fire hazard.

#### Electrical Wiring Devices

##### ⚠ Hair dryer outlets can catch fire!

Repeated bending stresses on the cord, such as from using a hair dryer while the cord is twisted, or storing it by coiling the cord around the dryer, can cause the wire to break and electric sparks may occur.

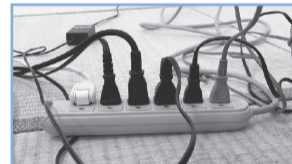


[Tips from a fireman]

Hair dryers use a lot of electricity, so it is dangerous when the cord breaks. When storing the product, loosely coil the cord to prevent strong bending stresses. If you notice signs of malfunction, such as the power switch turning on and off, immediately stop its usage.

##### ⚠ Plugging in too many cords into a power strip can cause fire!

Plugging in too many power cords and overloading the power strip beyond its maximum wattage capacity can cause fire.



[Tips from a fireman]

The maximum capacity of a power strip is 1500W. Electric stoves use 300 to 1200W and hair dryers use 600 to 1200W. It is dangerous to plug in many appliances even if there are still some outlets not being used.

### Be careful of these power cords!

##### ⚠ Dust build up in outlets



→ Dust and humidity tend to build up in outlets located in areas that are hard to see, and they may catch fire. If you see a burn mark or if you notice a burning smell, it could be an indication that the outlet previously caught fire. If you see burn marks, please contact UrayasuCity Fire Department Headquarters.

##### ⚠ Cords placed underneath heavy furniture



→ Strong stresses on cords can cause them to break and catch fire.

### How to Minimize Fire Incidents

#### Regularly inspect and replace residential smoke detectors

Residential smoke detectors may stop detecting fires when they become old. This happens when its components reach the end of their lifespan or when its battery dies. Regularly inspect your smoke detectors and replace them every 10 years, so that you will not fail to escape when necessary.

**Inquiries:** Fire Prevention Section, Fire Department Headquarters **Tel:** 304-0143

## Vaccination of Omicron-specific Vaccines

Urayasu City has started offering Omicron-specific vaccines from October.

#### For Individual Vaccination

**Vaccination venue:** Medical facilities offering individual vaccination in Urayasu City.

**Note:** For more information, please refer to the Urayasu City website.

**Vaccination date:** Please make sure to confirm since dates vary depending on facility.

**How to make a reservation:** Reservations are accepted at individual medical facilities. For some medical facilities, reservations are accepted using the online vaccination reservation form (<https://urayasu.hbf-rsv.jp>) or by directly calling the Vaccine Call Center.

#### For Mass Vaccination

**Vaccination venue:** Vaccination Center, Culture Hall (from mid-November)

**Vaccination date:** Every Tue., Wed., Thu., Sat., and Sun., from 9:45 a.m. to noon and 1:45 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**How to make a reservation:** Please use the online vaccination reservation form (<https://urayasu.hbf-rsv.jp>) or directly call the Vaccine Call Center.

For more information, such as on eligibility requirements and vaccination tickets, please refer to the Urayasu City website or contact us.

**Inquiries:** Novel Coronavirus Vaccine Call Center **Tel:** 0120-151-670



### Licensed Nursery Schools/ Education & Care Preschools (Nintei Kodomo-en) /Family Day Care Providers/Small- scale Nursery Schools Applications for Enrollment and Transfer for April 2023

For more information on each preschool and required documents to submit, please check the Urayasu City website or the 2023 Guide to Nursery Schools and Education & Care Preschools <distributed at the Nursery Schools & Kindergartens Affairs Section (Urayasu City Hall 2F) or at each nursery school>.



**Eligibility:** Infants and toddlers who can participate in group activities, and are in need of childcare due to the guardian's monthly work exceeding 64 hours or illness.

**Note:** Prenatal applications are accepted only for April enrollment.

**Application:**

●**By mail:**

Please send the application form and required documents to the Certification and Enrollment Section, Nursery Schools & Kindergartens Affairs Section, Urayasu City Hall, 279-8501, by November 18 (Fri.) (applications must arrive no later than this date).

●**By electronic application:**

Please apply through the Mynportal website (<https://myna.go.jp>) by November 18 (Fri.).

●**In person at the service counter:**

Please bring the application form and required documents directly to the Nursery Schools & Kindergartens Affairs Section between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. from November 11 (Fri.) to November 18 (Fri.) (excluding Saturdays).

**Inquiries:** Nursery Schools & Kindergartens Affairs Section **Tel:** 712-6439

### Shimajiro English Concert ~WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS CANDLE~

**Date and time:** November 20 (Sun.) from 12:15 p.m. to 1:25 p.m., 2:45 p.m. to 3:55 p.m., and 5:15 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.

**Location:** Culture Hall

**Capacity:** 1,000 people on a first-come,

first-served basis

**Fee:** 3,580 yen (3,480 yen for Sakura mate members)

**Note:** Reserved seats only. Tickets are on sale at the Culture Hall and Citizens Plaza.

Reservations can be made by phone to the Culture Hall **Tel:** 353-1121 or Citizens Plaza **Tel:** 350-3101.

**Inquiries:** Culture Hall (Lifelong Learning Section)

### Creating a Special Needs Class at Hinode Elementary School

Preparations are underway to create a special needs class at the Hinode Elementary School for April 2023. Please contact us if you are interested in enrollment or have any questions.

**Inquiries:** Educational Research Center **Tel:** 381-7961 (Guidance Section)

### Urayasu City Art Exhibition

**Date and time:** November 7 (Mon.) to 13 (Sun.) from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (until 11 a.m. on November 13)

**Location:** Citizens Plaza

**Details:** Calligraphy, Japanese and Western-style paintings, crafts and sculpture exhibits by city residents

**Inquiries:** Citizens Plaza **Tel:** 350-3101 (Lifelong Learning Section)

### Campaign to End Violence Against Women

A campaign will be conducted from November 12th through 25th to "End Violence Against Women." Violence against women, including violence from husbands or partners, sexual crimes, stalking, prostitution, human trafficking, and sexual harassment are serious violations of human rights and important issues that need to be overcome in order to form a gender-equal society.

- Consultation Desk
- Diverse Society Promotion Section (reservation required) **Tel:** 712-6803
- Children & Family Support Center **Tel:** 351-7698
- Chiba Prefecture Women's Support Center **Tel:** 043-206-8002 \*Dedicated consul-

tation line for women only, available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

**Inquiries:** Diverse Society Promotion Section **Tel:** 712-6803

### Ura La Mer Multipurpose Room Free Time

**Date and time:** November 16 (Wed.) 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Eligibility:** City residents, 100 people on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the event.

**Note:** Preschoolers must be accompanied by a guardian.

**Details:** Exercise using a ball or jump rope

**What to bring:** Indoor shoes, towel, drink

**Inquiries:** Ura La Mer **Tel:** 316-5777 (Youth Services Section)

### Ura La Children's Cultural Festival

**Date and time:** November 23 (National Holiday, Wed.) 10 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Ura La Mer

**Details:** Exhibition of works by local elementary school students, giant cardboard maze (only for children of elementary school age and under), etc.

**What to bring:** Indoor shoes

**Note:** No application required, please come directly to the venue.

**Inquiries:** Ura La Mer **Tel:** 316-5777 (Youth Services Section)

### Major Cleanup Experience

**Date and time:** December 11 (Sun.) 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Folk Museum

**Eligibility:** Third grade students and older, 12 students in total

**Details:** Major cleanup of the cultural property house

**Application:** From November 11 (Fri.), please apply directly or by phone to the Folk Museum **Tel:** 305-4300

**Inquiries:** Folk Museum

### Green Workshop "Making Christmas Wreaths"

**Date and time:** December 2 (Fri.) 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**Location:** Benten Fureai no Mori Park

**Capacity:** Those who are 15 years of age or older (except junior high school students) either living, working, or attending school in Urayasu City, 12 people in total (if there are too many participants, a lottery will be held).

**Instructor:** Kazuyo Kusui

**Fee:** 1,500 yen (material fee)

**Application:** Please send a return postcard or email (reply-paid postcard: name of course, address, participant name, and telephone number; return postcard: your address) to Urayasu City Hall 279-8501, Parks & Public Areas Section, by November 18 (Fri.) (applications must arrive no later than this date), **Email:** kouen@city.urayasu.lg.jp

**Inquiries:** Parks & Public Areas Section **Tel:** 712-6728

### Recruiting Participants for the Tokyo Bay Urayasu City Marathon

**Date and time:** February 5, 2023 (Sun.) 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**Location:** Around the Sports Park

● 10km route

**Eligibility:** Residents of the city who are 15 years of age or older (excluding junior high school students) and who can complete each checkpoint within the time limit, 780 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Note:** Time limit for each checkpoint: 5km = 40 minutes, Finish line = 80 minutes

**Fee:** 3,000 yen (1,500 yen for high school students)

● 3km route

**Eligibility:** Residents of the city who are 5th grade elementary school students or older, 970 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Fee:** 2,000 yen (1,000 yen for elementary, junior high school and high school students)

**Application:** Please apply from November 21 (Mon.) on the RUNNET homepage (<https://runnet.jp>)

**Inquiries:** Sports Section **Tel:** 712-6819



## A Stroll with the Mayor

Etsushi Uchida, Mayor of Urayasu City

### Popularization and Promotion of Parasports

I would like to thank all residents for your cooperation in taking measures against the novel coronavirus infection.

As of September 14, the declaration for strengthening measures against BA.5 was lifted, but there is also the concern of an outbreak of new mutant strains, and we ask for your continued cooperation in taking basic infection control measures.

We have started administering Omicron strain-compatible vaccinations from October, so please make an ap-



Wheelchair tennis player Ryuhei Tachibana

pointment if you wish to receive them.

A year has passed since the excitement of the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

Urayasu City residents Takayuki Suzuki (swimming) and Daisuke Ikezaki (wheelchair rugby) won medals at the Paralympic Games, and Kazuyuki Kyoya served as the head coach of the men's national wheelchair basketball team.

Due to the restrictions imposed by the coronavirus pandemic, the events did not go as originally planned. Still, in addition to holding training camps for each event, the participants also had the opportunity to interact with foreign athletes online.

In response to the fact that Paralympic-related training camps were held at the Sports Park, two multipurpose restrooms were constructed to improve the environment for the Paralympic events.

Additionally, since 2015, the city has been offering support to young athletes who aim to compete at interna-

tional events such as the Olympic and Paralympic Games, by designating them as developmental athletes.

The city actively held Boccia competitions, and courts to play wheelchair tennis were constructed in the Takasu Minami area.

The Deaflympics, the Olympic Games for the hearing impaired, will be held in Tokyo in September 2025, and athletes living in the city are expected to play an active role as well.

Urayasu City has declared itself a "Lifelong Sports City" and is promoting the creation of an environment where everyone can become familiar with various sports. Naturally, this includes creating an environment in which people with disabilities can also enjoy sports.

The competitive environment surrounding parasports has become a challenge, but as a city, we will continue our efforts to popularize and support parasports. We hope that all our residents will also join us in cheering for the parasports athletes.

### Recyclable Waste Disposal Schedule

Collection Area	Bottles/Cans/ PET plastic bottles	Newspapers/ Magazines
Nekozane, Kitazakae, Todaijima	Every Tue.	Every Mon.
Horie, Higashino, Fujimi, Maihama, Tekkadori 3-chome	Every Wed.	Every Sat.
Kairaku, Mihama, Irifune, Hinode, Akemi	Every Thu.	Every Mon.
Tomioka, Imagawa, Benten, Takasu, Minato, Tekkadori 1- and 2-chome, Chidori	Every Fri.	Every Sat.

\* Please put out your garbage between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. It is against the rules to put it out earlier or later than this designated time as it could become a nuisance in your neighborhood.

\* Bulky items will be collected separately on request by phone. Call the Bulky Items Reception Center ☎ 305-4000. For inquiries, contact the Garbage-Free Section ☎ 712-6467.

### FOREIGN RESIDENTS' ASSISTANCE DESK

Urayasu City provides consultation services concerning daily life such as medical, educational or job-related matters.

**HOURS:** 10 a.m. - 12 noon, 1 - 4 p.m. weekdays

**LANGUAGES:** English, French, Chinese, Polish, Russian and Japanese

**PHONE NUMBER & LOCATION:** 712-6910

Urayasu City Hall Local Activities Promotion Section

### Foreign Residents Advisory Corner

**Hours:** Every Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., every Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Languages:** English

**Phone Number & Location:** 306-5181, International Center