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City News



Population and No. of Households in Urayasu

Population: 170,859 Male: 82,933 Female: 87,926 Households: 85,110 Foreign Residents: 4,573 (As of October 31, 2023)

ew Year's Holidays

The end of this year is approaching. Here is the garbage collection schedule for the year-end/New Year's holidays.

Area		Nekozane, Kitazakae, Todaijima		Kairaku, Mihama, Irifune, Hinode, Akemi		Horie, Higashino, Fujimi, Maihama, Tekkodori 3-chome		Tomioka, Imagawa, Benten, Takasu, Minato, Chidori, Tekkodori 1-chome/2-chome	
Category		December last collection date	January first collection date	December last collection date	January (first collection date)	December last collection date	January (first collection date)	December last collection date	January (first collection date)
Combustible garbage	Combustible	29 (Fri.)	5 (Fri.)	29 (Fri.)	5 (Fri.)	30 (Sat.)	4 (Thu.)	30 (Sat.)	4 (Thu.)
Noncombustible garbage, hazardous garbage	Non-combustible	19 (Tue.)	9 (Tue.)	21 (Thu.)	4 (Thu.)	20 (Wed.)	10 (Wed.)	15 (Fri.)	5 (Fri.)
Glass bottles, cans, plastic PET bottles	PET Can PET	26 (Tue.)	9 (Tue.)	28 (Thu.)	11 (Thu.)	27 (Wed.)	10 (Wed.)	29 (Fri.)	5 (Fri.)
Newspapers, magazines, cardboard boxes	Paper	25 (Mon.)	8 (Mon., national holiday)	25 (Mon.)	8 (Mon., national holiday)	30 (Sat.)	6 (Sat.)	30 (Sat.)	6 (Sat.)



- 1. All collection operations as well as Clean Center operations (garbage drop-offs and reception) are suspended from December 31 (Sun.), 2023 to January 3 (Wed.), 2024.
- 2. Make sure to put out your garbage by 8 a.m. Garbage placed after collection will not be collected. The collection times for the year-end/New Year's holidays may differ from normal due to the high volume of garbage disposed during this period.

Inquiries: Garbage sorting and collection: Garbage-Free Section, Tel: 712-6467, Dropping off garbage: Clean Center, Tel: 381-5300

Illegal Dumping of Garbage is a Crime

Illegal dumping is a serious crime that damages the living environment of the community. It is punishable by imprisonment for up to five years or a fine of up to 10 million yen. Although your cooperation has helped to curb dumping, illegal dumping is still an issue that must be solved. If you find illegally dumped garbage, contact the Environmental Health Section.





Refrain From Smoking on the Streets and Littering

During the year-end/New Year's period, alcohol consumption increases due to year-end and New Year's parties. Unfortunately, it is common to see people drinking alcohol or smoking in parks and on the streets and littering the area with cigarette

butts, empty cans and the like. Such littering is also punishable by law.

Inquiries: Environmental Health Section, Tel: 712-6495

Collection Day for Used Kitchen Oil and Used Giotnes/Kags

Date and time: December 10 (Sun.), 9 a.m.

Location: Urayasu City Hall 1F (Civic Hall), local public halls

Note: please wash all used clothes and rags, and place the dry items in a transparent bag.



Inquiries: Garbage-Free Section, Tel: 712-6485



Collection period: December 1 (Fri.), 2023 to January 31 (Wed.), 2024 Locations: Urayasu City Hall 1F, City

Service Centers, Venous Plaza

Inquiries: Garbage-Free Section, Tel: 712-6485



Energy and Power Saving in Winter



The winter season is the most power-consuming time of the year due to the increased use of heating appliances. Power saving measures through efficient use of home appliances and replacement of outdated products also help the family budget amid soaring electricity rates, so do what you can in your household too.

(Points to Note to Save Energy in Winter)

Air conditioners





- Set the temperature at 20 degrees Celsius (savings: approximately 1,650 yen)
- Only turn it on when necessary (savings: approximately 1,260 yen)
- Clean the filter once or twice a month (savings: approximately 990 yen)
 Note: Set the air volume to "automatic" and use a fan or circulator in combination for best results.

Gas and oil fan heaters





- Set the temperature at 20 degrees Celsius (savings: approximately 1,320 yen for gas fan heaters; approximately 880 yen for oil fan heaters)
- Only turn it on when necessary (savings: approximately 2,150 yen for gas fan heaters; approximately 1,470 yen for oil fan heaters)
- Turn off the power early (about 15 minutes before going out or going to bed)

Electric kotatsu



- Lower the temperature setting by one level (savings: approximately 1,520 yen when it is lowered from "high" to "medium")
- Effective when using a blanket and a mattress in combination with a *kotatsu futon* (savings: approximately 1,010 yen)

Electric carpets



- Lower the temperature setting by one level (savings: approximately 5,770 yen when it is lowered from "high" to "medium" for a three-tatami mat room model)
- Use one that is appropriate for the size of the room (savings: approximately 2,770 yen when comparing three-tatami mat room models to two-tatami mat room models)

 Note: Place an insulating mat or the like under the electric carpet to prevent heat from escaping and make it more effective.

Inquiries: Environmental Preservation Section, **Tel:** 352-6481

Horie Tsudoi-no-Hiroba/Horie Pokka-Poka: Christmas Illumination

Date and time: December 1 (Fri.) to 25 (Mon.), 4:30 to 9 p.m.

Location: Horie Tsudoi-no-Hiroba (3-1-8 Horie), etc.

Inquiries: Social Welfare Council, **Tel:** 355-5271 (Social Welfare Section)

Kamado Day: Let's Make *Ozoni* New Year's Soup

Date and time: January 13 (Sat.), 10 to

11:30 a.m.

Location: Folk Museum **Eligibility:** Third grade elementary school students and over, ten persons on a first-come, first-served basis

Fee: 100 yen

Applications: Call the Folk Museum (**Tel:** 305-4300) starting on Wednesday, December 13

Nori-Making Experience

Date and time: January 6 (Sat.), 9 to 11 a.m.

Location: Folk Museum **Eligibility:** Third grade element

Eligibility: Third grade elementary school students and over, twenty persons on a first-come, first-served basis

Fee: 100 yen

Applications: Call the Folk Museum (**Tel:** 305-4300) starting on Wednesday, December 6

Tozai Line Services Partially Suspended for Minami-Sunamachi Station Expansion Work

Construction work to reroute the tracks will be carried out to prepare for the track and platform expansion at Minami-Sunamachi Station on the Tozai Line. Due to this work, a section of the Tozai Line will be completely closed as follows:

Suspension schedule: The first train of May 11 (Sat.) to the last train of May 12 (Sun.), 2024

Backup dates: The first train of May 25 (Sat.) to the last train of May 26 (Sun.), 2024

Suspended section; Toyocho Station to Nishi-Kasai Station

For more information about the construction work, visit the Tokyo Metro website (https://www.tokyometro.jp/news/2023/216466.html)

Inquiries: Tokyo Metro Customer Relations Center, **Tel:** 0570-200-222

December 4 to 10 is Human Rights Week

Every year, December 4 to 10 is designated as Human Rights Week, during which human rights awareness activities are held throughout Japan. If you are troubled by prejudice or discrimination related to infectious diseases, or by human rights issues in your daily life, such as slander or defamation on the Internet, please consult with one of the following:

♦ Consultation windows

- Urayasu City Foreign Residents' Assistance Desk, **Tel:** 712-6910
- Urayasu City International Center Foreign Residents Advisory Center, Tel: 306-5181
- O Human Rights Hotline, **Tel:** 0570-003-110
- Women's Rights Hotline, **Tel:** 0570-070-810

Inquiries: Diversity of Society Promotion Section



A Stroll with the Mayor

Etsushi Uchida, Mayor of Urayasu City

Creating a Place Where Anyone Can Freely Consult about Childrearing



While experiencing the growth of children is a great joy of childrearing, there may be various situations when you have worries or concerns and you want to talk to someone about them.

Many of the households raising children in Urayasu City are nuclear families and new residents who have not lived in Urayasu for a long time. This means that many of them do not have anyone nearby to help them raise their children.

We are striving to enhance our city's consultation system to relieve the concerns of childrearing families and create an environment in which they can raise their children without worries.

Urayasu has a consultation system so that no one is left alone with their problems. In addition to programs such as the "Pregnancy and Childbirth Support Program" in which supporters visit families during pregnancy and up to six months after birth, and the "First Time Baby Visit" in which midwives and/or public health nurses visit families with newly born infants, the city has also commissioned maternal and child health promoters who can visit homes to provide information and consultation.

In addition, the Hello Baby Room on the first floor of the Health Center can help you prepare a "Childrearing Care Plan" when you submit a pregnancy notification, between the 32nd week of pregnancy to around three months after birth, and around the child's first birthday. In addition, users can measure their child's weight on their own.

You may weigh your child as often as you wish without an appointment at set times from Monday to Friday until they turn one year of age. Weighing your child can help you objectively feel the growth of your child, and you can also receive consultations if you have any concerns afterwards.

Although you will have many opportunities to consult with public health nurses and other healthcare professionals during pregnancy, childbirth, and childrearing (such as during health checkups and vaccinations), if you have any concerns about childrearing, please feel free to casually consult with the Hello Baby Room.

In addition, the Child Support Center on the third floor of the Shugo Office and the Community Child Support Centers attached to certified nursery schools are also places where parents and children can interact, and receive information and consultation on childrearing. Make use of these facilities whenever you like.

Recyclable Waste Disposal Schedule

Collection Area	Bottles/Cans/ PET plastic bottles	Newspapers/ Magazines
Nekozane, Kitazakae, Todaijima	Every Tue.	Every Mon.
Horie, Higashino, Fujimi, Maihama, Tekkodori 3-chome	Every Wed.	Every Sat.
Kairaku, Mihama, Irifune, Hinode, Akemi	Every Thu.	Every Mon.
Tomioka, Imagawa, Benten, Takasu, Minato, Tekkodori 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 and Japanese
Phone Number & Location: 306-5181, International Center