

# Okayama Prefecture COVID-19 Quasi Emergency Measures

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# **Okayama Prefecture: COVID-19 Quasi Emergency Measures**

- ① Emergency Areas:                      Okayama City, Kurashiki City**
  
- ② Implementation Period:              Friday, August 20th – Sunday, September 12th**

## ● Measures for Prefectural Residents

### (Emergency Areas (Okayama City, Kurashiki City))

#### [In accordance with Special Measures Law 31 Article 6, Section 2]

- Halting unnecessary visits to restaurant establishments between the hours of 8PM to 5AM

### (Non-emergency Areas (Okayama City, Kurashiki City))

#### [In accordance with Special Measures Law 24, Section 9]

- Halting unnecessary visits to restaurant establishments between the hours of 8PM to 5AM

### (Measures that apply to all areas)

#### [In accordance with Special Measures Law 24, Section 9]

- Abiding by the 5 “Okayama Rules” and “Mask Code”
- Refraining from unessential outings, even during the day
- When it is necessary to go outside, putting the utmost effort into only being accompanied by family or acquaintances that you meet on a regular basis, and avoiding crowded areas as well as visiting places during rush hour
- Refraining from entering restaurants that do not thoroughly follow the prevention measures
- Avoiding high-risk behavior such as drinking in groups at parks, having outdoor barbecues in large groups and going to karaoke
- Refraining from showing up to work, attending school, and getting examined by a doctor in the case that you have even the slightest symptoms
- Thoroughly taking part in the “New Lifestyle”
- Being mindful of heat stroke and ventilating even when using the air conditioner

#### [Non law-enforced measures]

- Vaccinations have proved to prevent infections, pathogeny and severe illness, so please get vaccinated if you haven’t already.



# Okayama Prefecture Quasi Emergency Measures Period

## The 5 “Okayama Rules”



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- ★ Decrease frequency of outings (including shopping for essential items) by **50** percent.
- ★ When eating in groups, limit the amount of participants to **4** or less people that you see on a regular basis, and finish such meetings within two hours. This includes outdoor barbeques.
- ★ Continue to avoid the **3** C's.
- ★ Avoid travel to areas which high numbers of cases, carefully reconsider visiting other prefectures, and properly manage your physical condition for **2** weeks in the case that you visit such regions.
- ★ The use of just **1** mask will protect you as well as your loved ones.

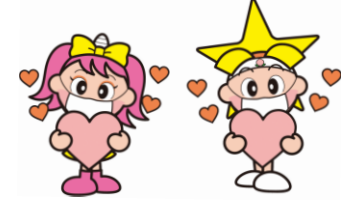
Protect Each Other! Move Closer to 0 Infection Risk!

※ 1 Before the Spread of Infection : Pre-COVID (Before January 2020)

※ 2 High-risk area : Areas with state of emergency initiatives or emergency disease prevention measures in place

# Rules in Consideration for Others: "Mask Code"

– Prevent infection and heatstroke by keeping your mask on at the right times –



~Protect each other, protect your precious families, protect the workers of the prefecture. Spread that kindness to the workers in the medical field as well~

## ○When chatting: "masked chatting"

People have a tendency to let their guard down while on break, so be sure to pay extra attention during such times.

**Case①** Infections occurring from chats had while in the dressing room or at the smoking area

## ○When eating: "masked meals"

Only remove your mask when eating or drinking, including outdoor meals

**Case②** Meeting up with 5 friends and their families for a barbecue, resulting in all members getting infected.

## ○If you go to karaoke, wear a mask.

And don't forget to disinfect the mic!

**Case③** Doing daytime karaoke by yourself for about an hour, resulting in you as well as the shopkeeper getting infected.

## ○Masking up at home

Do this for two weeks in the case that you are residing with family that has visited or has come from areas with high infection rates. Continue this for at least two weeks.

**Case④** College students visiting home from areas with high infection rates, resulting in their parents and grandparents getting infected.

**Prevent heatstroke by removing your mask during times that you have a distance of 2 meters between you and others while outside!**

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# Measures for Restaurant Establishments

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<Eligibility for short term cooperation payment >

Period		Friday, August 20 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 12 <sup>th</sup>
I m p l e m e n t e d  M e a s u r e s	Target Establishments	<p><b>【Food and Drink Establishments】</b> Restaurants and coffee shops (excluding takeout and delivery)</p> <p><b>【Entertainment Establishments】</b> Restaurants that specialize in direct customer service and have received permission to operate through the Food Sanitation Law</p> <p><b>【Wedding Venues】</b> Wedding ceremony venues</p>
	Details of Measures	<p>(In accordance to Special Measures Law 31 Article 6, Section 1)</p> <p><b><u>These are orders with correctional fines if not followed</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Reduction of business hours</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>(Establishments that normally close at hours past 8PM will reduce their hours of operation within the interval of 5AM to 8PM, alcohol is only to be served between the hours of 11AM - 7PM)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Halting sale of alcoholic beverages (including alcohol brought in by customers)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Restaurants that mainly function as a food and drink establishment are to refrain from offering karaoke services (this rule does not apply to karaoke booths).</b></li> <li>○ Preventing customers who do not follow guidelines, such as wearing masks, from entering your establishment</li> <li>○ Installation of acrylic partitions and securing adequate space between seats, as to avoid airborne infections</li> <li>○ Disinfecting, encouraging staff to get examined, managing number of customers, preventing symptomatic customers from entering your establishment, disinfecting all areas of premises, thoroughly ventilating (in accordance to Special Measures Law Article 12, Section 1)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>〔In accordance with Special Measures Law 24, Section 9〕</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thoroughly abiding by the guidelines for your specific type of business</li> <li>○ Properly using Moshisapo Okayama (disease tracking application)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>〔Non Law-enforced Measures〕</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Acquiring the Third Party Restaurant Business Certification for Thorough Disease Prevention Measures* (Reference: pg. 16)</li> </ul> <div> <p>※ These measures do not apply to establishments that are expected to have nighttime visitors over an extended length of time, such as net and manga cafes. However we do request that such establishments manage the number of customers present and refrain from providing karaoke or alcohol to customers.</p> </div>

➤ Establishments that will host social gatherings under the hosting restrictions are to strictly follow the requirements set forth. (in accordance to Special Measures Law 24, Section 9)

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