



# Important Notice: COVID-19 Preventive Measures



The Worldwide Uchinanchu Festival is unique in that many participants visit their relatives and friends during the festival. It is also a fact that many of our participants include senior citizens and are posed to a higher risk of the exposure to COVID-19 and severe illnesses.

Therefore, it is important to follow the COVID-19 preventive measures listed below and to understand the status of the medical system of Okinawa for the safety of yourself and the local residents of Okinawa.

## **【Preventive Measures to be Taken Before Departure】**

1. Please ensure to update your COVID-19 vaccination status to the latest available status at least two weeks before your travel starts.
2. Please ensure to confirm the negative result of COVID-19 PCR Test before your travel starts.
3. Please purchase travel insurance that includes adequate coverage related to COVID-19.

\*In the unexpected case of confirmed or a designated close contact of COVID-19, expenses including hotel accommodation extensions/reservation changes, air ticket arrangements, inspection fees, hospitalization and medical expenses are basically required to be settled at your own expense; therefore, please ensure to purchase travel insurance.

\*Most credit card insurances do not provide adequate coverage. For those who prefer to choose credit card insurance, please be sure to read through the details. We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance with wider coverage.



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4. In the unexpected case of confirmed or a designated close contact of COVID-19, a minimum of 3 to 7 days of isolation is required. You are advised to pack extra medicine, including daily medications and antipyretics (fever relief medicine) before traveling to Okinawa.
5. To enjoy a safe and healthy trip, please refer to the site shown below for medical and insurance information.  
[https://www.jnto.go.jp/emergency/eng/mi\\_guide.html](https://www.jnto.go.jp/emergency/eng/mi_guide.html)
6. If you are feeling unwell, please cancel or postpone traveling to Okinawa.
7. When traveling by air to Okinawa/Japan, please cover your face with a face mask inflight.
8. Please also ensure to get a flu vaccine at least two weeks before your travel starts.



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## 【Measures to be Taken During your Stay in Japan】

1. Please ensure to take preventive measures such as the usage of face mask, avoiding the “Three Cs” (closed spaces, crowded places, close-contact settings), applying physical distance when socializing, and monitoring your daily health conditions.
2. Please be reminded that the majority of Japanese wear face masks in public areas. May we ask international travelers to also wear a face mask during your stay in Japan.
3. If you have fever or any flu-like symptoms, please remain in the accommodation and refrain from going out.

## 【Attached References】

< COVID-19 Preventive Measures Leaflet > (English)

<https://www.mlit.go.jp/kankocho/content/001485670.pdf>

< New Travel Etiquette for Visitors > & Video

<https://www.mlit.go.jp/kankocho/traveletiquette/index.html>

< Countermeasures against COVID-19 (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)>  
(English Version)

[https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000164708\\_00079.html](https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000164708_00079.html)



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## 【Preventive Measures at the Events】

1. Please conduct hand sanitizing and temperature checks before entering the event venues such as the Festival Eve Parade, Opening/Closing Ceremony, and Municipal Events.
2. If you have fever (temperature of 37.5°C or higher) or any flu-like symptoms, please follow the staff's instructions and take an antigen test at the management booth of the venue. Any persons with fever or any flu-like symptoms will not be allowed to enter the venue. We thank you for your understanding in advance.
3. Eating/drinking is permitted only in the designated areas.  
Please cover your face with a face mask at all times except when eating/drinking.  
Please refrain from talking when removing your face mask.