



Recently many people have smart phones, and it has become easy to use the Internet. Virus (programs that damage a computer or smart phone) infections and the use of fraudulent applications lead to crime and problems. Smart phones are useful, just like computers. Please think about how to use them safely and with peace of mind.



Dangers when using applications

Smart phones contain much information that one would not like others to know, such as not only phone numbers, e-mail addresses, addresses, and birthdates, but also pictures and e-mails.

Viruses and fraudulent applications sometimes leak this type of information out. There is danger that trouble may occur while you are unaware.

Basic countermeasure methods

1. Always use the most recent terminal OS (Software the controls the overall system of androids and iOS).

Viruses are always evolving, so if you use an old OS, then the risk of becoming infected increases.

2. Use an antivirus application.

It can prevent you accidentally installing an application that has a virus.

3. Be cautious when installing applications.

There is a risk that applications you are not sure where were made may have a virus, so don't install them, but instead use a recognized official market.

Inquires if you have problems

When using your smart phone or the Internet, if there is something you are worried about or damage occurs, contact the police general consultation desk ☎ #9190, or go to your nearest police station.



The light vehicle tax will change as of April 2016

Light vehicles that were purchased brand new and have been registered for over 13 years will incur even higher taxes than up until now.



Vehicle type		Amount of tax			
		①	②	③	
Light vehicle	3 wheels	3,100yen	3,900yen	4,600yen	
	4 wheels cargo	For business use	3,000yen	3,800yen	4,500yen
		For private use	4,000yen	5,000yen	6,000yen
	4 wheels passenger	For business use	5,500yen	6,900yen	8,200yen
		For private use	7,200yen	10,800yen	12,900yen

- ▽ ① Light vehicles whose new vehicle registration date is from January 2003 to March 2015 ② Light vehicles whose new vehicle registration is from April 2015 ③ Light vehicles whose new vehicle registration is up until December 2002 (Light vehicles for which 13 years have passed since new vehicle registration)
- ▽ Other information: Light vehicles that had new vehicle registration in the 2015 fiscal year and have a small impact on the environment may have a Green exemption applied. The amount of tax for 2 wheel vehicles also changes.
- ▽ Inquiries: Taxation Division ☎028-632-2205, Special Storage Measures Office ☎028-632-2239

Utsunomiya street performance festival

- 🕒 March 19 (Sat) & 20 (Sun)
11am – 5pm
(If bad weather then cancelled.)
- 😊 Street performances by 23 groups of street performers, food and drinks for sale, etc.
The street performers will change about every 30min. at each venue.
Please refer to the following website for detailed information.
<http://www.utsunomiya-daidogei.com/jp/>

- @ Orion Street, etc.
- ☎ Utsunomiya Daidogei Festival Organizing Committee Secretariat
028-634-1722



Utsunomiya Castle Cherry Blossom Festival

- 🕒 March 26 (Sat) 10am – 3pm
(If the bad weather then postponed.)
- 😊 Stage events of taiko drumming and dancing, etc., food booths, exhibit booths, games for kids, Haikarasan dress up. The 2nd floor of the Seimeidai (scaffold) will be open.
The first 100 people who come wearing traditional Japanese clothing will receive an original pin badge. Elementary school age children or younger wearing traditional Japanese clothing will receive a special item in addition.
- @ Utsunomiya Castle Park
- ☎ “Yomigaere Utsunomiya Castle” Citizen’s Group Secretariat
028-632-2989



Spring break special puppet show

- 🕒 March 20 (Sun)
2pm – 3pm (Doors open at 1:30 am)
- 😊 A puppet show of marionettes and shadows, etc. put on by the internationally (UK, Canada, etc.) active puppet company “Mochinoshia.”
- For** Young children to adults
- Max.** First 300 people
- Cost** Free
- Sign up** Come directly to the venue.
- @ Tawara Community Plaza Multipurpose Hall
- ☎ Kawachi Library 028-673-6782

Spring break Japanese classes

- 🕒 March 25 (Fri) – April 5 (Tues)
(Total 10 times, excluding Sundays)
10am – Noon
- 😊 Japanese classes for children who need Japanese language support.
- Cost** Free
- Sign up** Sign up at UCIA.
- @ Omotesando Square 5F & 6F
- ☎ UCIA 028-616-1870



International Exchange Salon

- 🕒 4th Sunday of every month
March 27 (Sun)
4 – 6 pm
- 😊 An event at which you can talk with people from various countries
- Cost** Free
- @ UIP
- ☎ UIP 028-616-1563





Starting April 2016

Japanese classes Nihongo kyoshitsu

If you are interested in studying Japanese, come study with us!

Venue	Day	Time	Level	Cost
Utsunomiya International Plaza (UIP)	Mon	1:30-5:30PM ※Must sign up	Beginner - advanced	1hr ¥150 1mon. ¥1,000
	Tues	1:30-3:30PM ※Must sign up	Advanced	
	Wed	10AM-12PM	Beginner - intermediate	
		1:30-3:30PM		
	Sat	1:30-3:30PM		
※Sun	10AM-12PM			
Sugatagawa Chiku Shimin Center	Tues	10AM-12PM		
		6:30-8:30PM		
Sogo Fukushi Center	Thurs	6-8PM		
Kita Shougai Gakushu Center	Sat	6:30-8:30PM		

※ Sunday classes are only for junior high and high school students.

Inquiries: Utsunomiya International Association (UCIA) ☎ 028-616-1870 Email ucia@ucia.or.jp

UIP Services



Consultation for Foreign Residents

		Spanish Portuguese	Chinese	Thai	English
UIP ☎028-616-1564	3:00PM -6:00PM	Mon	Tues	Wed	Fri
	4 th Sunday of month (appointment needed)				
City Hall ☎028-632-2834 (during office hours)	9:00AM -12:00PM	Thurs	2 nd Thurs	—	—
	2:00PM -5:00PM	Thurs	—	2 nd Thurs	2 nd Thurs
Administrative Scrivener ☎028-616-1564	3:00PM -5:00PM	3 rd Monday (appointment needed)			

Interpreter Volunteer Service

Go with someone needing language assistance to such places as national and prefectural facilities and the city hall and interpret for them.

- ▶ Monday – Saturday
9:00AM - 5:00PM
- ▶ ¥2,000 per session (2hrs)
- ▶ Please fill out an application form at UIP.

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