

Reviewing the Fukuoka Corona Alert

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- The "Fukuoka Corona Alert" which was established as a standard for requesting medical institutions to prepare hospital beds. This alert will be reviewed and reorganized as a standard when requesting cooperation from prefectural residents and businesses, and split into two stages, "Fukuoka Corona Alert" and "Fukuoka Corona Special Alert," depending on the infection situation.
- The guidelines for each stage will be set separately for when the infection is spreading and when the infection is under control, and the indicators will be stricter than the national index, taking into account the results from fourth wave of infections and the impact of mutated variants.
- There are reports suggesting that vaccines are effective in preventing infection as well as preventing the onset and severity of illness and are thought to have an impact on the number of new cases and the hospital bed occupancy rate. Consideration will be given to revising the guidelines for activate each stage as appropriate, based on the vaccination status and other factors.

When Infections is spreading



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*Based on the indicators in (1) to (3), and taking into account the status of "factors to monitor," the decision to activate the alert will be made based on a comprehensive judgment, referring to the opinions of municipalities and experts.

*After issuing the "Fukuoka Corona Alert," discussions with the national government on the issuing priority measures will be held, and a request will be made to the national government when the situation has reached the equivalent of Stage III (Note 1).

*After the issuance of the "Fukuoka Corona Special Warning," discussions with the national government on issuing a State of Emergency will be held, and a request will be made to the national government when the situation reaches the equivalent of Stage IV (Note 2).

When Infections is spreading

Key Indicators	 When Issuing a Fukuoka Corona Alert	 When Issuing a Fukuoka Special Corona Alert
National Index Indicators	Before becoming equivalent to stage III	Before becoming equivalent to stage IV
①Number of New Cases	A. The 7-day average of new cases (Note 3) continues to increase or B. Increase in the 3-day average of new cases (Note 3) to 100 people/day or more	A. The 7-day average of new cases continues its upward trend or B. 3-day average of new cases increases to 180 people/day or more
②Hospital Bed Occupancy Rate	15% or more (about 210-220 people)	30% or more (about 420-440 people)
③Critical Care Bed Utilization Rate	More than 10 % (about 20 people)	More than 20% (about 40 people)
*Factors to Monitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing trend in the percentage of people who are positive with the mutated variants Increasing trend in the influx of people coming from outside the prefecture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing trend in the percentage of people who are positive with the mutated variants

(Note 1) 7-day average of new cases is less than 182 patients/day, bed utilization rate is less than 50%, etc.

(Note 2) 7-day average of new cases is less than 109 patients/day, hospital bed utilization is less than 20%, etc.

(Note 3) The number obtained by dividing the total number of new cases in the last 7 days by



When infections has clamed down

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*Based on the indicators from (1) to (3), and taking into account the situation of "Factors to monitor", and referring to the opinions of municipalities and experts, make a comprehensive judgment and decide to request the national government to lift the State of Emergency (priority measures).

*At the same time as the lifting the State of Emergency (priority measures), the "Fukuoka Corona Special Alert" (Fukuoka Corona Alert) will be lifted.



Key Indicators	 Guidelines for Lifting the Fukuoka Corona Alert (Guidelines for request to lift the Priority Measures)	 Guidelines for Lifting the Fukuoka Special Corona Alert (Guidelines to request to lift the State of Emergency)
National Index Indicators	After becoming Stage II or lower (Note 2)	After becoming Stage III or lower (Note 1)
①Number of New Cases	A. Continued downward trend of the 7-day average new cases (Note 3) or B. The 7-day average new cases decreases to less than 35 people/day	A. Continued downward trend of the 7-day average of new cases or B. The 7-day average of new cases decreases to less than 100 people/day
②Hospital Bed Occupancy Rate	20% or less (about 280-300 people)	50% or less (about 700-740 people)
③Critical Care Bed Utilization Rate	Less than 15 % (about 30 people)	Less than 30 % (about 60 people)
*Factors to Monitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trends in new mutant variants, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trends in new mutant variants, etc.

(Note 1) The 7-day average of new cases is less than 182 patients/day, and the hospital bed occupancy rate is less than 50%.



(Note 2) 7-day average of new cases is less than 109 patients/day, bed occupancy rate is less than 20%, etc.

(Note 3) The number obtained by dividing the total number of new positive cases in the last 7 days by 7

Examples of issued requests when infections spread

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The content of the request to prefectural residents and businesses is based on the latest response policy of the government and related notifications and may be subject to change in the future.
In the event of an accelerated spread of infections, it may not be possible to do a step-by-step approach

Main requests etc.	 Fukuoka Corona Alert		 Fukuoka Special Corona Alert	
	Prefectural Measures	Priority Measures	Priority Measures	State of Emergency
Request to prefectural residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from unnecessary outings, including during the daytime (especially after 9pm) Refrain from unnecessary crossing prefectural borders Refrain from traveling to and from prefectures as much as possible, especially during state of emergency 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from unnecessary outings, including during the daytime (especially after 8pm) Refrain from unnecessary crossing prefectural borders 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from using restaurants that do not respond to requests to shorten hours Refrain from regular seasonal events such as year-end parties, welcome and farewell parties, and returning to hometown 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from using restaurants that do not respond to requests to shorten hours or closure Refrain from regular seasonal events such as year-end parties, welcome and farewell parties, and returning to hometown 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from activities with high risk of infection, such as eating and drinking in groups on the street or in parks. 			
<p>Requests to business</p> <p>prefectural facilities</p> <p>Restaurants</p> <p>facilities that attract customers</p> <p>events</p> <p>work place</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shorten business hours until 9 PM (Alcoholic beverages can be served) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shorten business hours until 8 or 9PM (Alcoholic beverages may only be served at certified stores) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refrain from using karaoke equipment (except for karaoke boxes) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shorten business hours until 8:00 p.m. (Alcoholic beverages are only served at certified stores, etc.) Closed or reduced hours until 8:00 p.m. (Alcoholic beverages cannot be served) Karaoke equipment cannot be provided (including karaoke boxes) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close at 9 p.m. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close at 8 or 9 PM (9 PM for events) Closed on weekends for large commercial facilities, etc. Shortened business hours until 8 p.m. (until 9 p.m. when events are held) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through entry control and guidance 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close at 9 p.m. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close at 8 or 9 p.m. Facility will be Closed 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The smaller of the following (1) or (2) - The smaller of the following (1) or (2): (1) the capacity ratio (100% without a loud voice, 50% with loud voices) - (2) The larger of 5,000 people or 50% of the capacity - The same applies to prefecture-sponsored events. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Less than 5,000 people (Capacity is 100% without loud voices and 50% with loud voices or less) No alcoholic beverages served Until 9PM The same applies to prefecture-sponsored events No more than 5,000 people and a capacity of 50% or less No alcoholic beverages may be served Until 9 PM Prefectural events are cancelled or postponed 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage work from home with the aim of reducing the number of employees who go to work by 70% Strongly promote staggered work hours even when attendance is necessary Curb work hours after 9 PM 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage work from home with the aim of reducing the number of employees who go to work by 70%. Strongly promote staggered work hours even when attendance is necessary Curb work after 8 PM 	
Factors to monitor regardless of infection status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thoroughly implement basic infection prevention practices such as avoiding the three Cs Refrain from unnecessary travel to and from areas where the infections are spreading Promote work from home, staggered work hours, etc. Thoroughly implement basic infection prevention practices when going out Thoroughly implement actions to avoid the risk of infection when using restaurants Adherence to industry-specific infection prevention guidelines 			