

Policy on Events Hosted by Tsukuba City

Provisional Translation

Regarding COVID-19 countermeasures, Tsukuba City will host or co-host future events as follows in accordance with Ibaraki Prefecture's guidelines. These policies may be revised as the need arises.

1 Event policy until June 7

- Based on Ibaraki Prefecture's policy, we will limit the number of participants under 200 for outdoor events and 100 for indoor events. The number of participants may be limited depending on the capacity of a venue.
- Irrespective of the number of participants, we will never host any events where the main participants are elderly people, people at high risk of serious illness such as those with underlying medical issues, as well as expectant or nursing mothers.
- Regardless of the number of participants, we will never host any events in which participants are expected to come from outside Ibaraki Prefecture or when a large and unspecified number of people are expected.
- The guidelines of each of the City's facilities must be adhered to.

2. Event policy from June 8 to June 30

- In accordance with Ibaraki Prefecture's policies that are soon to be issued, we will limit the number of maximum participants of events, and depending on the capacity of each venue.
- Irrespective of the number of participants, we will never host any events in which participants are expected to come from outside Ibaraki Prefecture or when a large and unspecified number of people are expected.

- The guidelines of each of the City's facilities must be adhered to.

3 Precautions during the events

- We will ask people to refrain from participating in any events, if they have symptoms such as fever, shortness of breath, severe fatigue, cough, or sore throat.
- We will implement measures to prevent the infection by asking people to wear a mask and wash their hands thoroughly at venues. For indoor events, since wearing a mask may increase the risk of heat stroke, we will ask participants to take measures against heat stroke while wearing a mask indoors. For outdoor events, it is not necessary to wear a mask as long as people maintain a safe distance from each other. Furthermore, for both indoor and outdoor events, we will encourage participants to rehydrate and take their masks off and rest every so often. We will also review each event to avoid activities that might put extra stress on participants while wearing a mask.
- We will maintain a list of names, addresses, and phone numbers of all participants, so that the City Hall or Public Health Centers can trace people who are suspected to be infected or have close contact with those infected.
- When hosting an event, we will thoroughly implement infection prevention measures, such as ventilating a venue, adjusting the number of participants, reducing the amount of time participants spend at a venue, avoiding face-to-face conversation, eating, and drinking, and reducing chances of people having close interactions with each other.