Transportation Information in Tamba City - On-demand Taxi

Tamba City has provided an on-demand (reservation) share-ride taxi service so that residents who have no car can visit a hospital, go shopping, go out for leisure etc. by paying a certain amount of fare. In this issue, we explain how to use the service.

1. Operating Area

Both your boarding and destination points are within one of these areas: Kaibara, Hikami, Aogaki, Kasuga, Sannan or Ichijima. (Ex. if your boarding point is in the Hikami area, your destination point also needs to be in Hikami.) Your destinations are your home, hospitals, shops, bus stops, etc.

2. Operation Days

Four days a week: Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. (Service is not available if the above days are on a national holiday or during the year-end/new year holiday period.)

3. Operation Time

Seven services a day, on the hour: 8:00 A.M. / 9:00 A.M. / 10:00 A.M. / 11:00 A.M. / 12:00 P.M. / 2:00 P.M. / 3:00 P.M. (8:00 bus provides service between 8:30 and 9:00. Other buses also provide service within one hour after their departure.)

4. How to use the Service

1: Prior registration is required.

You need to register in advance if you want to use the on-demand taxi service. You will be able to use it about one week after registration.

Registration can be done at Tamba City Hall Citizens’ Affairs Section (TEL: 0795-82-1001) and its branch offices.

2: Phone reservation is required.

Please make a registration for the requested date and time of service, boarding location, destination etc. Reservations can be made Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. (4 days/week), 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. (Reservations not available if the above days are on a national holiday or during the year-end/new year holiday period.) Reservations can be made from one week in advance. Reservations for the 8:00 A.M. service must be made by the day before, and for all other services 30 minutes before the intended departure on the day.

5. Fare

- 900 yen per ride. (Junior high school students and above)
- 200 yen per ride for elementary school students and person with a Handbook for the Physically Disabled, etc.

6. Telephone Number for Reservations

On-demand Taxi Service Reservation Center

TEL: 0795-72-5500

Enquiries and registrations for on-demand taxi are accepted only in Japanese. Please ask for assistance from a Japanese speaker or a volunteer interpreter provided by Tamba City International Association (please see the inside page for such an application).

We support your life in Tamba City  “Tamba City International Association”

Do you know Tamba City International Association?

Tamba City International Association engages in efforts to support the lives of foreign residents living in Tamba City.

We, for instance, publish and distribute “Living Guides” (issued in Chinese, English, Portuguese and Filipino [Tagalog]) that provides information on daily life, childrearing, insurance, welfare etc.

We also offer Japanese classes and support you by providing interpretation/translation services (please see the inside page for more details).

As part of these efforts, a forum on “Multicultural Coexistence” will be held in November.

* “Living Guides” are provided at counters of International Association and Tamba City Hall and its branch offices. You can also download it on the website of International Association (http://www.geocities.jp/tamba_ia/).

2013 Multicultural Coexistence Forum to be Held

Tamba City has approximately 650 foreign residents. Through lectures and social events, the Multicultural Coexistence Forum will give people of different nationality and ethnicity an opportunity to respect each other’s cultural differences and consider how to coexist as a member of Tamba City.

When

November 17 (Sun)

Doors open: 12:30

Start: 13:00

Where

Tamba no Mori Koen

Where

Multipurpose (Tamokuteki) Hall
(Kaibara-cho Kaibara 5600)

Admission: Free

Interaction through Songs and Music

In the 2013 Multicultural Coexistence Forum, an erhu performer Ms. Chen Man-i will play the “erhu”, a Chinese traditional instrument, and give a talk.

Admission is free of charge. Why don’t you take advantage of this opportunity to communicate with Tamba City residents of diverse nationalities? We hope you will join us with your family and friends.

Tamba City International Association

Kaibara 443, Kaibara-cho, Tamba City 669-3309

[TEL/FAX] 0795-72-5880  [E-mail] tamba_ia@yahoo.co.jp

Introduction of Japanese Classes

Japanese classes are being held in Kaibara, Hikami and Kasuga inside Tamba City. Let us introduce classes in Kaibara and Hikami in this issue.

Kaibara: Japanese Class “Konnichiwa”

Japanese class “Konnichiwa” helps foreign residents improve their Japanese ability and understand local culture and customs. By dividing students into small groups, we are able to offer classes that will meet the needs of students. We value opportunities for people to communicate with one another beyond borders by chatting over tea and learning Japanese songs after class. Both staff and students are very active and eager to teach/learn.

Class Schedule

Monday  | Children’s class  | Adult class  
9:30 - 10:00 | 10:00 - 11:00 |
11:00 - 12:00 | 12:00 - 13:00 |
13:00 - 14:00 | 14:00 - 15:00 |
Tuesday | Morning class  | Evening class  
9:30 – 10:00 | 10:00 – 11:00 |
11:00 – 12:00 | 12:00 – 13:00 |
13:00 – 14:00 | 14:00 – 15:00 |
Wednesday | Morning class  | Evening class  
9:30 – 10:00 | 10:00 – 11:00 |
11:00 – 12:00 | 12:00 – 13:00 |
13:00 – 14:00 | 14:00 – 15:00 |
Thursday | Free class  
9:30 – 10:00 |
10:00 – 11:00 |
11:00 – 12:00 |
12:00 – 13:00 |
Saturday | Evening class  
9:30 – 10:00 |
10:00 – 11:00 |
11:00 – 12:00 |
12:00 – 13:00 |

We study using “Minna no Nihongo I, II” and Japanese conversation.

Enquiry and Application

Japanese Class “Konnichiwa” Manager: Ms. Takako Tokisato
Address: Kaibara 2792, Kaibara-cho, Tamba-shi
TEL: 0795-72-3250

15th Anniversary “Get-to-Know-You Party” to be held
To commemorate the 15th anniversary of the class, a “Get-to-Know-You Party” will be held. We are organizing a party where foreign and Japanese residents in Tamba interact with one another.

[Date] December 21th, 2013, Saturday
[Time] 12:00 – Please come without having eaten lunch
[Place] POP UP HALL (Hongo 300, Hikami-cho)
A band of Indonesians who have learned at the Japanese class will be invited and they will perform Japanese songs such as “Sukiyaki (Ue o Muite Arukou)” and Indonesian songs.

[Fee]
Foreign residents: ¥500
Japanese residents: ¥1000

Municipal Information

“Rubella Vaccination” Cost to be Partially Subsidized for Citizens at Age 23 or Over

Rubella outbreaks have spread nationwide. As an emergency countermeasure to prevent outbreak of congenital rubella syndrome (if a woman without immunity to rubella catches rubella in the early stages of pregnancy, her child can suffer hearing, vision and heart defects), the city partially subsidizes the cost of adult rubella vaccination.

[People Who Are Eligible] Citizens at age 23 or over who have not been infected with the rubella virus and not received a rubella vaccination before, and need to be vaccinated to prevent outbreak of congenital rubella syndrome for the sake of their child (including those who have been recommended to be vaccinated as a result of a rubella antibody titer test in the past).

[Subsidy Period] Vaccination received between June 1st, 2013 and March 31st, 2014

[How to Apply] Bring your personal seal and proof of address and date of birth (driver’s license, health insurance card etc.) when you submit an application to the Health Affairs Section [Kenko-ka]. A vaccine screening questionnaire (which you need to fill in the necessary information in advance to receive a vaccination) given at the Health Affairs Section needs to be presented to a medical institution in Tamba City at the time of vaccination.

* Please contact the Health Affairs Section if you have already received a vaccination.

[Out-of-Pocket Cost] 3500 yen

[Enquiry] An application form can be obtained at Tamba City Health Affairs Section counter or downloaded on the website page of the Health Affairs Section.

Tamba City Health Affairs Section (inside Hikami Public Health Center) 
TEL: 0795-82-4567
WEB: http://www.city.tamba.hyogo.jp/life/14/

Enquiries and applications are accepted only in Japanese. Please ask for assistance from a Japanese speaker or a volunteer interpreter provided by Tamba City International Association (please see the article on the left for more details).

Hikami: Hikami Nihongo Communication Club

Hikami Nihongo Communication Club concentrates on useful, daily Japanese so that people from overseas who are not used to life in Japan and/or don’t understand the language would feel more comfortable and independent with regards to the language. Some of our students take a class to prepare for a Japanese language proficiency test. To anybody who wants to learn Japanese and make your life in Japan easier, why don’t you join us to learn together.

Class Schedule

Tuesday  | Day class  | Evening class  
10:00 – 11:20 | 20:00 – 21:20 |
Wednesday | Evening class  
20:00 – 21:20 |

We study using “Minna No Nihongo I, II” and other handouts.

Enquiry and Application

Narimatsu 1037-1, Hikami-cho, Tamba-shi, 669-3601
Adachi Hanayoshi Co., Ltd. 2F
TEL: 0795-82-4112

Hikami Communication Club values interactions among students and also with the local community. We participate in community festivals wearing Yukata (summer kimono) in summer time, and we also organize events to enjoy traditional dances.

Available in English, Chinese and Portuguese

* Depending on availability of the language and/or schedule, the service may not be provided.

Interpretation and translation services are available

We provide assistance by interpreters when you have difficulty understanding in Japanese and translation services of government administrative documents and information. Please contact the International Association for interpreters and translation in advance.

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