

# Information for Residents about COVID-19 during Times of Disaster

## Preparations before evacuation

### ◇ Prepare for the worst for the best chance of avoiding disaster.

You do not need to evacuate to an evacuation site if you are in a safe area. Check your local hazard map in advance to check whether your house is in an area at risk of flooding or landslides. Furthermore, remain in your home if you live in a high enough floor that is not at risk of flooding.

### ◇ Consider evacuating to a friend or relative's house.

If your house is at risk and you cannot evacuate to a safe place, such as a friend's house, do not hesitate to seek refuge at a municipal evacuation site.

### ◇ Check what you need to take to an evacuation site.

You must take precautions to protect yourself from infectious diseases when taking refuge at evacuation sites. In addition to your regular emergency supplies\*, take **masks, hand sanitizer, a body thermometer, disposable gloves and indoor footwear.**

\*You can check what emergency supplies are on the Fukuoka City website.

### ◇ Important things to remember when evacuating in your car.

Evacuating in your car can be dangerous. Check and establish escape routes and car parks where you will not be at risk of being caught in a flood when evacuating in your car. You also need to be careful of developing economy class syndrome if staying in your car.

## When seeking refuge at an evacuation site

### ◇ Take your temperature and fill in the questionnaire on arrival.

### ◇ Inform staff if you feel unwell.

If you develop a fever or cough and feel unwell, you may be separated into a different room, so inform the evacuation site staff as soon as possible.

### ◇ Avoid closed spaces, crowded places and close contact.

- Ventilate the room often.
- Maintain social distancing of at least 2 meters from others.
- Refrain from talking as much as possible.

### ◇ Wash your hands thoroughly and practice proper cough etiquette.

### ◇ Help with cleaning inside the evacuation site.

Help with cleaning if you can to maintain a hygienic environment.