

Survival Passport

Chapter 162

Citywide Disaster Drill

Join us for the annual drill!

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The drill is on a WEEKDAY!

Please join in the drill from wherever you are in your designated role!

Citywide Disaster Drill

17 January (Friday)

at 10:00 a.m. !

An announcement from the public address system speakers signals the start of the drill\*

This is a drill.

There has just been an intensity level (shindo) upper 6 earthquake.

The public address system speakers are one way to communicate information in a disaster.

You cannot hear them inside buildings, and may be unable to hear them depending on your situation (e.g. in strong wind or rain).

Please join in the drill at 10:00 a.m.

On January 17, the Minoh City Website will be switched to "Disaster Mode".

When a disaster strikes, the City Website switches to "Disaster Mode", and is updated with disaster-related emergency information.

Along with the citywide disaster drill on 17 January (Friday) at 10:00 a.m., another drill will be held to switch the City Website to "Disaster Mode", where it will be updated with disaster-related emergency information.

Please take this opportunity to check the City Website (QR code).

In Minoh City, every year on the anniversary of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, 17 January, the entire city runs a disaster drill.

Whether it's on a weekday and the whole household is out doing different things, or on a holiday when everyone is home together, by practicing on different days of the week you can be prepared for any situation.

On a Monday morning in June 2018, the Northern Osaka Earthquake caused damage to many parts of the city.

In such a large-scale disaster, it is very important to protect people's lives by quickly checking the safety of your neighbors, and finding those who need rescue.

Using methods like the "Yellow Cloth Strategy", please join in the drill wherever you are in your designated role!

In a disaster, the city sends emergency information via E-mail, social media and apps!

On 17 January, drill alerts will be sent out, so please sign up before and join in the drill!

For Families

Use the Yellow Cloth Strategy

In Minoh City, we are using the Yellow Cloth Strategy to quickly check everyone is safe.

After a big earthquake, if everyone in your house is safe please hang a yellow cloth (any eye catching large yellow piece of cloth) somewhere visible from outside.

This way, you are saying "No problem here!" to your neighbors.

Listen to Tackey 816 (FM81.6)!

In the case of a disaster, emergency information from the City will be relayed and repeated on Tackey 816 (FM81.6).

Please buy a portable radio and listen to Tackey 816 in the case of a disaster.

You can also listen on some smartphones.

The drill will be broadcast from 10:00 a.m. !

Listen to Tackey 816 on the day of the drill!

On the day of the drill from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tackey 816 will broadcast the drill.

The show will broadcast the situation at each evacuation center, as well as interviews with citizens about how to prevent disaster at home.

Please take this opportunity to listen to Tackey 816!

Make sure that your household is prepared

After a large earthquake, no outside assistance arrives for 3 days.

Store enough food and water for at least 3 days, so that you can last if gas, electricity, and water are cut off and supplies are unavailable.

Also, prepare an emergency bag in case of a sudden evacuation, and confirm the meeting place for all family members in the event of a disaster.

For Neighborhood Associations

Neighborhood associations include apartment management associations.

1. Place a yellow cloth near your entrance and use the safety checklists to check everyone is safe.

Call out to neighbors while using the safety checklists and check the yellow cloths to confirm that everyone is safe.

(Image) Is everyone okay?

(Image) Do you have the safety checklists ready?

## 2. Gather the safety check results

Those in charge will gather at the meeting place designated by the neighborhood association (nearby park, parking lot, etc.) to report the safety check results.

## 3. Each representative reports to the evacuation center

(Image) How was it?

(Image) There weren't that many responses...

\*At each Elementary School District Evacuation Center, a member of the District Emergency Management Committee will gather the results of the safety checks.

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we are using the "Yellow Cloth Strategy"

Minoh Nyoidani Residential Disaster Prevention Association

(Photo) Chairman Motoki Kanji

The Nyoidani Residence is a large apartment complex with a total of 610 units spread across 21 buildings.

Yellow towels are distributed to all households so that their safety can be quickly confirmed during a disaster. These are put up on the windows of the north side of the building in an earthquake of intensity level (shindo) 5 Lower (or higher).

We participate in the citywide disaster drill every year. During the drill, the disaster prevention staff of each building practices checking the yellow markers on all floors from outside, and reporting the results to the management office.

Also, we run the "Yellow Cloth Strategy" together with members of the community welfare committee, who have a list of people requiring additional evacuation assistance, which helps us run an accurate safety check.

For Elementary / Junior High Schools, Daycare Centers / Kindergartens

- Earthquake and fire evacuation drills for children
- Drills with the District Emergency Management Committee

For the City Office / Public Facilities

- Drills for visitors
- Disaster Response Headquarters Operation Drills
- Safety inspections of facilities and equipment
- Drills with related institutions