

# Life Information News KOMAKI

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## Disaster Prevention Topics

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## Earthquake! Protecting yourself first



When an earthquake occurs, your first concern should be protecting your life. When you receive an earthquake emergency alert or feel the shaking of an earthquake, make protecting yourself your first priority. Shaking equal to or greater than "6 lower" on the JMA scale will prevent you from standing. Protect your head and climb under a sturdy table or desk.

Take action to control fires after shaking has stopped. Current town gas or propane gas designs shut off supply of gas automatically when shaking of 5 on the JMA scale is detected. Trying to extinguish fires in a panic may result in injury or worse.

Municipal Website: Disaster Prevention Information

<http://www.city.komaki.aichi.jp/contents/ctg20.html>

### Start of emergency notification mail to Softbank and KDDI (au) phones **Starting March 1**

Komaki will begin sending emergency notification mail to cell phones on the Softbank or KDDI (au) networks. Emergency notification mail is a system to distribute the Japan Meteorological Agency's emergency earthquake information and Komaki City's emergency/evacuation information to people in Komaki City.

**Features** There is no monthly fee or transmission fee if you have activated the feature on your phone.

**[Notice]** Some devices cannot receive these notifications.

#### Distributed information

- ① Emergency earthquake notifications from the JMA
  - ② Disaster/evacuation information from Komaki City
- Emergency information of a high importance such as Evacuation Preparation Information, Evacuation Recommendations, Evacuation Instructions, Landslide Alert Information, Tokai Earthquake Forecasts and so on.



Sign up for notifications!

**Komaki Disaster Information Mail**



[QR code]

Receive emails with emergency information from the Japan Meteorological Agency and Komaki City. Please register with your cellphone or PC by sending a blank email to the email address shown here or with the QR code.

[Blank mail address] **t-komaki@sg-m.jp**

**Inquiries** Crisis Management Division  
TEL0568-76-1171

Small appliances  
will be collected  
as metals

## Classification of small appliances to change

Of garbage that was collected as non-burnable garbage (red bags) from April 1, 2012, small appliances will now be collected with items currently categorized as metals (green bags). Small appliances include parts that can be recycled, such as rare earths. Collecting valuable resources through recycling is connected to reducing waste that is burnt.

#### Small appliances

All appliances driven by electricity or batteries (phones, fax machines, game consoles, printers, remote controls, rice cookers, vacuum cleaners, etc.)

※Previously we had asked that rice cookers be divided into the inner pot (metals) and unit (non-burnable), and vacuum cleaners be similarly divided into nozzles (non-burnable) and unit (metals). From April 1, 2012, please dispose of together as metals.



#### Not covered

- Items containing fabric, wood, etc. (such as electric carpets)
- Items covered by the home appliance recycling law (TVs, air conditioners, washing machines, fridges, freezers, clothes driers)
- Computers ● Cell phones ● Bulky garbage (items greater than 60cm in width, height or length)



**Inquiries** Waste Management Office, Waste Management Section  
TEL0568-76-1187

## Next tax payment deadline: May 1 (Tue)

#### Fixed Asset & City Planning Tax (1st Term)

Submit your payments promptly! Smooth functioning of the system requires that everyone make timely payments.

Avoid missed payments by setting up direct debit payments from your bank account.

If you have already set up direct debit payments for your taxes, be sure that your account has sufficient funds available by the day before payment is due.

#### If you are too busy during the day on weekdays to make your payment...

1. The City Hall Income Tax Office will be open on the following Sundays to answer tax-related questions and accept payments.  
◎ **Date/time: Apr 8 (Sun) and Apr 22 (Sun) 8:30 to 17:15**
2. Tax payments will be accepted at the Komaki Station branch office every day.  
Please stop by at your convenience.  
◎ **Reception hours: 8:30 to 17:15**  
◎ The Komaki Station branch office is closed during the New Year holidays.
3. If your payment slip has a barcode, you may pay your taxes at a local convenience store.  
※ Convenience store payments can only be made prior to the payment due date.

**Inquiries** Tax Office TEL0568-76-1117 / 0568-76-1118 (Direct)



## 2012 Tax Payment Deadlines

※The last day for payment is the last day of the month of each month (in December, the 25th)  
 ※If the last day is a weekend or holiday, the following business day for financial institutions becomes the due date (account transfers).

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Municipal and prefectural taxes			1st term		2nd term		3rd term			4th term		
Fixed asset tax	1st term			2nd term					3rd term		4th term	
Light vehicle tax		All terms										
National Health Insurance tax			1st term	2nd term	3rd term	4th term	5th term	6th term	7th term	8th term	9th term	10th term
Nursing care insurance				1st term	2nd term	3rd term	4th term	5th term	6th term	7th term	8th term	9th term
Late-term medical insurance for the elderly					1st term	2nd term	3rd term	4th term	5th term	6th term	7th term	8th term
Due date and account transfer date	May 1 (Tue)	May 31 (Thu)	Jul 2 (Mon)	Jul 31 (Tue)	Aug 31 (Fri)	Oct 1 (Mon)	Oct 31 (Wed)	Nov 30 (Fri)	Dec 25 (Tue)	Jan 31 (Thu)	Feb 28 (Thu)	Apr 1 (Mon)

## Mt. Komaki Beautification Activities Beautification Spring Walk at Mt. Komaki

Mt. Komaki, symbol of the city, is showing signs of Spring.

Let's go for a nice walk and clean Mt. Komaki.

Free tickets to the city museum will be distributed to those interested at the end.

Hope to see you there!

**Date/time** Apr 14, 2012 (Sat) 8:30 to 9:30 (Registration from 8:00)

**Meeting place** Mt. Komaki Shiseki Park **Application** Not required. Come directly to the venue on the day.

**What to bring** Work gloves, etc.

※garbage bags will be distributed during registration

Cancelled  
in case  
of rain



**Inquiries**

Environmental Beautification Office, Waste Management Section  
TEL0568-76-1147

## Mt. Komaki Sakura Festival April 1 Sun to 10 Tue

★ **Sakura illumination (Mt. Komaki area)**

Date/time: 18:00 to 21:00

★ **Komaki Castle (Komaki Museum) special night-time opening (cancelled in case of rain)**

During the festival, the Museum is open until 20:00 on the weekend and open every day.

### Event

Apr 7 (Sat), 8 (Sun), cancelled in case of rain

#### Outdoor Tea Ceremony

- Hours: 10:00 to 15:00
- Fees: 300 yen per bowl

#### Child's Natural Art Contest

- Hours: 10:00 to 15:00
- Reception: Main tent in Mt. Komaki Shiseki Park
- Drawing location: All of Mt. Komaki
- Other: We will provide art paper. Please bring your own required drawing tools.

### Photography Contest

- Description: Photographs of Mt. Komaki Sakura Festival and Mt. Komaki. Color photos in photograph size (254mm x 305mm). Other sizes/bordered not accepted.
- ※Submit negatives for film photos, CD-R for digital film photos for prize winners
- ※Submissions under other names will be disqualified, only one prize per person, copyright is granted to the host.

#### How to Apply

Fill in the required items on the specified form, attach your photo and submit to the Komaki Tourism Association Office by Apr 27 (Fri)

### Haiku Contest

(Separate categories for adults and students)

- Description: Haiku on themes such as the blossoms on Mt. Komaki during Sakura Festival

#### How to Apply (1)

Apply to the Haiku Contest Reception venue in Mt. Komaki Shiseki Park on Apr 7 (Sat) or 8 (Sun) between 10:00 to 15:00. In addition, you can receive Haiku lessons on both days at 10:00 and 14:00 (cancelled in case of rain).

#### How to Apply (2)

Fill in the required items on the application form on the back of the Haiku Contest Flyer, and submit to the Commerce and Industry Division at City Hall, Seinennoie, or Komaki Castle haiku boxes by Apr 10 (Tue). You can also submit by FAX or postal mail (postmarked by the deadline).

※Winners from the Photography, Nature Art, and Haiku Contests shall be awarded at Manabi Sozo Hall on May 20 (Sun), and their works will be on display at the center hall of Manabi Sozo Hall from the award ceremony until Jun 1 (Fri).



**Warnings:** Reserving space with rope and using open flame are prohibited in the park. During the festival barbecues are allowed as an exception at Sakura no Baba and Yamakita Ryokuchi. You must apply in advance to the Commerce and Industry Division.

### Mt. Komaki Sakura Festival Inquiries

Komaki Tourism Association Office (at the Commerce and Industry Division)

1-1 Horinouchi, Komaki 485-8650 TEL0568-76-1134 FAX0568-75-8283

# Komaki Multicultural Committee Member Recruitment



The Komaki Multicultural Committee was established with the goal of meeting and collecting opinions from a variety of resident perspectives regarding multiculturalism in Komaki. As promotion and progress management of the Multicultural Society Plan we are planning for broad application.

**Qualifications** Residents, workers and students in Komaki at least 18 years old as of April 1, Heisei 24. ※ Regardless of nationality

**Application Procedures** Apply by fax, mail, or at the service counter with a page having written your address, name, age, occupation, contact information, and (simply is fine) what you think needs to happen for exchange and coexistence between Japanese and foreigners by April 20 (Fri). ※Without format

**Inquiries** Life Exchange Section TEL0568-76-1173 FAX0568-72-2340 E-mail seikatsu@city.komaki.lg.jp

## Medical checkup information



### Mother/child Health Examination Calendar

※Place: Screening will be conducted at the Health Center

Consultations	Schedule	Time	Eligibility/Description/Application/etc.
Health examinations and BCG vaccinations for 4-month-old infants, dental examinations for mothers	Apr 10 (Tue)	13:05 – 13:55	Born Dec 1 to 8, Heisei 23
	Apr 17 (Tue)		Born Dec 9 to 18, Heisei 23
	Apr 24 (Tue)		Born Dec 19 to 25, Heisei 23
	May 8 (Tue)		Born Dec 26 to 31, Heisei 23
Health examinations for 18-month-old infants	Apr 6 (Fri)	13:05 – 14:15	Born Oct 1 to 10, Heisei 22
	Apr 13 (Fri)		Born Oct 11 to 22, Heisei 22
	Apr 20 (Fri)		Born Oct 23 to 31, Heisei 22
Dental examinations for children aged 2 years, 3 months	Apr 12 (Thu)	9:00 – 10:10	Born Jan 1 to 15, Heisei 22
	Apr 26 (Thu)		Born Jan 16 to 31, Heisei 22
Health examinations for 3-year-old children	Apr 4 (Wed)	13:05 – 14:15	Born Apr 1 to 12, Heisei 21
	Apr 11 (Wed)		Born Apr 13 to 22, Heisei 21
	Apr 25 (Wed)		Born Apr 23 to 30, Heisei 21
Niko niko cavity prevention class	Apr 25 (Wed)	10:00 – 11:00	20 parents and children starting to get teeth ● Fees: Free ● Application: Health Center
Baby food class (Initial Gokkun (swallowing) class)	Apr 11 (Wed)	10:00 – 11:00	27 sets of parents and children 4 months after giving birth ● Fees: Free ● Fees: Free
Baby food class (Later kami-kami (biting) class)	Apr 20 (Fri)	10:00 – 11:00	21 sets of parents and children 9 months after giving birth ● Fees: Free ● Application: Health Center
Class for new moms and dads	May 2 (Wed)	14:00 – 16:00	30 Komaki resident pregnant women and their husbands (woman can also participate alone) ● Description: Talking about life with children, Talking about oral care and dental checkup. ● What to bring: Parent and child (maternal and child) health handbook, writing utensil ● Application: Health Center
Nursing counseling	Apr 2 (Mon)	13:00 – 16:00	● Fees: Free ● Application: Health Center
	Apr 10 (Tue) Apr 11 (Wed) Apr 17 (Tue) Apr 24 (Tue)	9:00 – 12:00	
Baby visit	About 2 or 3 months after birth, a health contact and veteran health contact will come visit your home with a few gifts to congratulate you on the birth of your baby. (You will be contacted in advance to set a convenient time.)		



※Make sure to bring your Maternal and Child Health Handbook.

※Health examination admission times differ depending on date of birth.  
Please refer to the health examination schedule that will be sent in the mail.

**Inquiries** Health Center TEL0568-75-6471

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※Please see the relevant service counter for more details regarding any of the items contained herein.

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