

Life Information News KOMAKI

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Opening of a pool

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Foreign residents in Komaki / 8,443
Population of Komaki / 153,526

As of July 1, 2010

Sorting/setting out recyclables and garbage

About plastic containers.

Target items

All items marked with the symbol are considered plastic.



Komaki has specific rules for separating recyclables and garbage. Keep the following points in mind when setting out your recyclables and garbage:

- 1 Always dispose of recyclables and garbage in designated **Komaki City garbage bags**.

Use white bags for burnable garbage

Use red bags for non-burnable garbage

Use green bags for recyclables

*You must put **different types** of recyclables in separate bags

*Komaki City garbage bags can be purchased at supermarkets, convenience stores, and drug stores.

- 2 Follow pamphlet guidelines for separating and setting out your recyclables and garbage.

Pamphlets are available in Portuguese, Spanish, English, and Chinese and can be obtained at City Hall or one of the Civic Centers. They can also be downloaded from the Komaki City website.

- 3 Check the collection schedule and have your recyclables or garbage out by **08:30** on the designated pickup date.

Set out recyclables and garbage on designated days before 8:30 on that day.



Examples of plastic containers

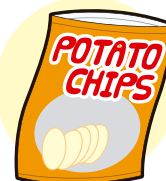
Plastic bottles

- Bottles for sauce, cooking oil, soy sauce, yogurt drinks, etc.
- Soap, shampoo, and lotion containers
- Medicine or makeup containers



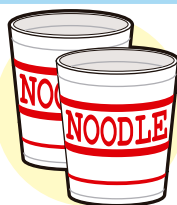
Plastic bags and plastic wrap

- Plastic shopping bags
- Outer and inner packaging from snacks, bread, or instant foods
- Plastic wrapping on commercial goods



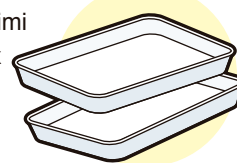
Plastic cups and packages

- Instant noodle, pudding, or yogurt containers
- Plastic egg cartons, tofu packages



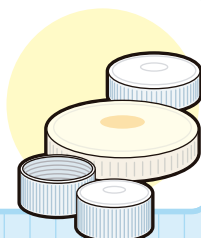
Plastic trays

- Trays for fresh foods or sashimi
- Convenience store lunch box containers
- Fruit and vegetable trays



Miscellaneous

- Plastic caps (PET bottle, glass bottle, or pudding container caps)
- Styrofoam



FAQs

Q How should items like buckets, toys, video tapes, or CDs be disposed of?

A These items are not containers or packaging, so they must be put in red non-burnable garbage bags.

Inquiries

Komaki Waste Reduction Promotion Section, Waste Management Office
(Komakishi-haikibutsu taisakuka gomi genryosokushin-kakari)
TEL: 0568-76-1187



Let's study Japanese

- Venue / Furatto minami (Near Fashion Center Shimamura) TEL: 0568-76-1375
- Schedule / Every Saturday 10:30-12:00
- Level / Lower Intermediate
- Course content / Business-level Japanese conversation, daily Japanese conversation, reading and writing
- Fee / 1,500 yen/month~

Inquiries Multicultural Society Communication TEL: 090-7438-2219 / Junko Togari
 E-mail: tabunkashakai@yahoo.co.jp (English or Japanese)
 tabunkashakai@yahoo.com (English, Portuguese, Spanish available)



~Building communities~ Get involved with your ward (neighborhood) council

- ★ Just saying "hello" to your neighbors builds closer relationships, deeper mutual understanding, and stronger communities.
- ★ Your neighbors are the ones who will be there to help you in a disaster or emergency.

If a major disaster strikes, fire, police, and other city workers will not be able to reach local communities immediately. During the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and 2004 Chuetsu Earthquake, nearly 9 out of 10 disaster victims were saved through the rescue efforts of their fellow citizens.

Ward (neighborhood) councils are autonomous associations formed by local citizens and businesses. There are 128 wards in Komaki City, and each council works to create a safe and pleasant community environment. The head of the ward council represents the community and serves as a liaison for you and your fellow ward residents.

Community issues and problems cannot be resolved by individuals working alone. We urge you to join your local ward council to help build a better neighborhood for yourself and everyone around you.



Get involved in your ward (neighborhood) activities

- Friendship activities** Obon dancing and festivals, karaoke contests, sports festivals, senior citizen support groups, etc.
- Public relations activities** Councils distribute City or community information, and send out circulars and postings.
- Beautification activities** Clean up areas around homes, parks, roads, and waterways.
- Disaster prevention activities** Conduct evacuation drills to prepare for earthquakes frequently occur in this country.
- Safety activities** Participate in neighborhood crime patrol squads.
- Garbage reduction activities** Be sure to separate your garbage carefully into red bags, white bags, and green bags.

Inquiries

Life Division (Seikatsukoryu-ka)
Telf. 0568-76-1173

Help make the 31st Annual Komaki Citizen's Festival an event to remember!

The Komaki Citizen's Festival is held through the combined efforts of various community groups, businesses, students from Komaki junior high schools and high schools, volunteers, and city workers. However, we are currently faced with the problem of having a limited number of staff available to provide adequate service to all festival attendees. The members of the Komaki Citizen's Festival Planning Committee Office are eagerly awaiting generous volunteers willing to go out of their way to offer their support for this year's event.

We are now recruiting volunteers willing to work behind the scenes at many of the Komaki Citizen's Festival events to help make it a great experience for all event participants and guests. We hope that you'll sign up today!

Volunteer staff

- Duties: Help with running attractions on the day of the event and other activities (volunteers may sign up to help out on either one or both days of the event).
- Qualifications: men and women (junior high school students or older) living/working/studying in Komaki City
- Others: Tea and onigiri rice balls will be provided on the day of the event.

Application

Application deadline / Sep 30 (Thu)

Application / Write "Oen staff" on a piece of paper along with your name, address, age, occupation, place of business (school), and telephone number and bring it to the Komaki Citizen's Festival Planning Committee Office. *Application can be submitted in person or by post, fax, in person or email.

Inquires

Komaki Citizen's Festival Planning Committee Office
(Seikatsukoryu-ka)

Postal code 485-8650 (no address required).

TEL 0568-76-1173 FAX 0568-72-2340 Email seikatsu@city.komaki.lg.jp

URL <http://www.city.komaki.aichi.jp/contents/03011150.html>

Civic Gallery Exhibits A family-friendly museum

Gallery 1 Hungary Exhibition

See a collection of nearly 160 pictures drawn by Hungarian students of all ages from the Aichi-Hungary Friendship Society. Includes examples of Kalocsa embroidery and Hungarian picture books.

Hosted by: Aichi Prefecture Hungary Friendship Association

Sponsorship: Embassy of the Republic of Hungary in Tokyo, Japan

Gallery 2 The world of art illusions

A modern art display featuring flat pictures that seem to jump off the page, optical illusions where faces in portraits move, hidden pictures, and more. Bring your cameras and enjoy the exhibit!

Gallery 1 Jul 31 (Sat)-Aug 8 (Sun), 2010

Gallery 2 Aug 21 (Sat)-Aug 29 (Sun), 2010

10:00-18:00

● Venue / Manabi Sozo Hall 4F Civic Gallery ● Fee / Free of charge

Hosted by: Komaki city Komaki Board of Education

Inquiries

Cultural Promotion Division
(Bunka-shinko-ka) TEL 0568-76-1188

Next tax payment deadline: Aug 31 (Tue)

- Municipal and prefectural taxes (2nd term)
- Nursing Care insurance fees (2nd term)
- Nursing Care insurance fees (2nd term)
- Late-Term Medical Insurance for the Elderly (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.
O Dates / Aug 1, 8, and 22 (Sundays) 8:30–17:15
2. Tax payments will be accepted at the Komaki Station branch office every day. Please stop by at your convenience.
O Business hours from 8:30–17:15. O 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(Syuzei-ka) TEL: 0568-72-2101 (operator) Ext: 276-279 TEL: 0568-76-1118 (direct call)

Artwork needed for the Komaki Art Exhibition

Categories	Japanese-style painting, Western-style painting, sculpture, calligraphy, photography
Qualifications	Citizens living/working/studying in Komaki City or those belonging to art groups in the city (limited to high school students and older). One piece may be submitted per person per category. Previously exhibited works are not eligible.
Awards	Commemorative award (gift certificate equivalent to 30,000 yen), etc
Application installation dates	Submit an Artwork Submission Form (available from the Cultural Promotion Division, Tobu, Ajioka, or Kitazato Civic Centers, Shimin Kaikan, Manabi Souzou Hall, Chubu Kominkan or the Kinro Center) and your piece to the Manabi Sozo Hall Citizen's Art Display office between 15:00-20:00 of Oct 18 (Mon). *Dismantled Nov 3 (Holiday) 16:15-18:00
Exhibition dates	Oct 24 (Sun)-Nov 3 (Wed/holiday 10:00-19:00) (Exhibit closes at 16:00 on Nov 3)
Venue	Manabi Sozo Hall Arena, Civic Gallery



Inquiries Cultural Promotion Division (Bunka-shinko-ka)
TEL: 0568-76-1188

Learn about Germany!

Rediscover Germany,
born in a birthplace of Handel and Luther

- Date Sep 5, 2010 (Sun) 14:00–16:00
- Venue Komaki Kominkan 4F Audio-Visual Room
- For General public
- Fee Free of charge
- Application period Aug 5 (Thu) through Aug 31 (Tue)

Reservation
required

First
50 persons



Instructor: Ms. Stefanie Sasaki-Sellmer

Inquiries/application

Komaki International Association (KIA) Administration Office (Komaki Kominkan 4F)
Business hours: Tuesday through Saturday 9:00–17:00 (closed holidays and daily between 12:00 and 13:00)
Applications can be made by phone, email, fax, or in person at the KIA Administration Office.
TEL: 0568-76-0905 FAX: 0568-71-8396 Email: kia@ma.ccnw.ne.jp
If applying via fax or email, indicate your name, address, telephone number, and whether or not you are a KIA member.

August dishes

Fig jam

Komaki is famous for its peach crop. But did you know that many figs are also grown here? Jam made out of sweet figs is an ideal complement to your favorite bread or yogurt.

■ Ingredients (serves 4)

- Figs 200 g
- Granulated sugar 60 g
- Lemon juice as needed



- Directions
- ① Peel the figs and cut coarsely.
 - ② Put the fig pieces in a pan with the granulated sugar and simmer them on medium heat until they reach the desired consistency.
 - ③ Add the lemon juice, turn off the heat, and enjoy.



Tips

Jam should be stored in the refrigerator. It will stay fresh for about a month.
Fig jam is also delicious as a topping for cakes and other sweets.

Recipe provided by: School Lunch Nutrition Group

Medical Checkup Information



Mother/child Health Examination Calendar

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

Checkups available	Schedule	Time	Checkups for
Health examinations and BCG vaccinations for 4-month-old infants, dental examinations for mothers	Aug 3 (Tue)	Admissions 13:05–13:55	Children born in Mar 2010
	Aug 10 (Tue) Aug 17 (Tue) Aug 24 (Tue) Aug 31 (Tue)		Children born in Apr 2010
Health examinations for 18-month-old infants	Aug 6 (Fri) Aug 20 (Fri) Aug 27 (Fri)	Admissions 13:05–14:15	Children born in Feb 2009
Dental examinations for children aged 2 years, 3months	Aug 5 (Thu) Aug 26 (Thu)	Admissions 9:00-10:10	Children born in May 2008
Health examinations for 3-year-old children	Aug 4 (Wed) Aug 11 (Wed) Aug 25 (Wed)	Admissions 13:05-14:15	Children born in Aug 2007

*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 (Hoken center)
TEL: 0568-75-6471

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