

# Child Allowance

The goal of *Jidou Teate* or the Child Allowances Program is to contribute to the stability of people's lives together with ensuring the healthy growth and development of each child. Child Allowances are paid to households raising children.

**Applications must be filed within 15 days of childbirth or of moving!**

In order to receive a Child Allowance, one must apply for it. Generally, after submitting an application the allowance will be paid starting from the following month. However, in cases where the date of childbirth or the scheduled date of moving from your former residence (hereafter referred to as commencement date) is close to the end of the month, you will begin receiving the child allowance from the month you apply. Even if the application is submitted in the month following the commencement date, as long as you apply within 15 days of the day following the commencement date you will receive payment starting that month.

**Remember that if you are late in submitting your application, you will not be able to receive the allowance for the months you missed.**

## Children Eligible for Allowance

Children up to High School Age (until March 31st of the fiscal year in which they turn 18)

### [Allowance Amount]

	Allowance (per child per month)	
	1 <sup>st</sup> child, 2 <sup>nd</sup> child	3 <sup>rd</sup> child
Children under 3 years old	15,000 yen	30,000 yen
From age 3 to high school age	10,000 yen	

\* The scope and amount of child allowance payments will change from October 2024.

For more details of the regulations, please see the next page onwards.

## For Inquiries & Application Counter:

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(P.O.C. for Child Allowances)

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● **Eligibility (who is eligible to receive child allowance payments)**

Persons who are raising a child or children and have a registered address within Kyoto City are eligible to receive child allowance payments (parents, guardian of a minor, etc.). In cases where both parents are raising the child, the parent who is more able to maintain the child's livelihood (mainly the one with the higher income) will be the recipient.

\*In cases of parents living abroad, parents can have their assigned guardian designated (by parents) to receive allowance payments.

\* Even if a person is not a parent, guardian, or guardian assigned by parents, there are some cases where they may receive payments if they are raising a child.

\*In cases of parents in the middle of divorce proceedings who are living separately, it is likely that the person whom the child resides with will receive the allowance payments.

\*For children placed into a care facility or foster care, the institution or a foster parent may receive the payments.

\***Public servants** must apply for the allowance at their place of employment. Please inquire with your employer.

● **Children that qualify for child allowances**

In principle, children of high school age (up to March 31st of the fiscal year in which they turn 18) residing in Japan.

\*There are cases where children studying abroad are eligible for child allowance payments; please contact the Kyoto City Child & Family Support Section office for more information.

● **Allowance Amount**

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Under 3 years old	15,000 yen	30,000 yen
From age 3 to high school age	10,000 yen	

[Regarding the Additional Amount for the Third and Subsequent Children]

Before the revision The child allowance was provided for children until they **completed middle school**, but when counting the number of children, children up to the end of the fiscal year in which they turned 18 (until March 31st of the fiscal year in which they turned 18) were counted, and the target for receiving the additional amount for the third child was limited to those up to elementary school age.

After the revision The child allowance is provided for children up to **high school age**, but when counting the number of children, children up to the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 22 (until March 31st of the fiscal year in which they turn 22), for whom the recipient bears financial responsibility, are counted, and the additional amount for the third and subsequent children can be received up to **high school age**.

However, if you are eligible for the additional amount for the third and subsequent children and are providing care equivalent to guardianship and bearing the living expenses for a child between the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 18 and the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 22, you will need to submit a separate "Confirmation of Guardianship Equivalent and Living Expenses Burden" form.

**【Examples of Allowances】** (For families raising 3 children of the following ages)

- Children aged: 19, 16, 11

The 19-year-old is of university student age and is counted as the first child.

The 16-year-old is a high school student and receives 10,000 yen (counted as the second child).

The 11-year-old is the third child before completing elementary school and receives 30,000 yen. [Total monthly allowance: 40,000 yen]

- Children aged: 23, 17, 14

The 23-year-old is not counted.

The 17-year-old is a high school student and receives 10,000 yen (counted as the first child).

The 14-year-old is the second child in middle school and receives 10,000 yen.

[Total monthly allowance: 20,000 yen]

\* For a child between the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 18 and the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 22, only those for whom the recipient bears "financial responsibility" for the child are eligible for the multiple-child allowance.

● **Payment Periods**

Allowances are transferred to the bank account designated in the name of the claimant at the time of the application process, in principle, in even-numbered months (August, October, December, February, April, June) for the allowance period of the preceding months. Payment is made on or around the 10th of the month.

- If the payment date falls on a bank holiday, the payment will be made on the previous business day.
- If the eligibility of a person receiving child allowance from Kyoto City is terminated due to moving out of the city, etc., the allowance may be paid in a different month.

(Example) The allowance for April-May will be paid on the payment date in June.

Payment Month	August	October	December	February	April	June
Allowance Paid	For Jun. to Jul.	For Aug. to Sep.	For Oct. to Nov.	For Dec. to Jan.	For Feb. to Mar.	For Apr. to May

● **Receiving Child Allowance payments**

**You must complete an application to receive child allowance payments.\*1** In principle, the allowance will be paid starting from the month following the month you submit your application. However, if you apply within 15 days of the commencement date, even if the application is submitted in the month following the commencement date, you will begin receiving the child allowance from the month you apply.

Remember that the allowance is only paid after you submit your application. If you wait to submit your application, retroactive payments are not available.

Reason for Application	Necessary Documents
A child is born	• <i>Nintei Seikyu-sho</i> *2
Moving to Kyoto from another municipality	• Copy of bank account book or bank ATM card
Begin to raise a child (or change of recipient)	• Copy of health insurance card*3
Recipient becomes a public servant	• Copy of official individual number notification card or individual number card
	• One form of identification

\*1 Based on your household circumstances, please be aware that additional documents may be necessary.

\*2 You will need to enter the Individual Number (My Number) of the applicant and their spouse on the *Nintei Seikyu-sho* form.

\*3 When submitting a copy of your health insurance card, please mask (black out) the “insured person’s symbol/number” and “insurer number,” and, depending on your form of healthcare, a *Nenkyu kanyu Shomeisho* proving your enrollment in the Japanese National Pension System may be necessary. For details, please see the back of the new *Nintei Seikyu-sho* form. You can receive a copy of the *Nintei Seikyu-sho* form from Kyoto City Child & Family Support Sections, each ward office and branch office, Keihoku Branch Office, or Kamikawa Branch Office, or download it from the Kyoto City official website.

\* Public servants should apply for the allowance at their place of employment. However, depending on your employment status, you may need to apply to Kyoto City, so please be sure to check with your employer.

[Important Notes]

- If the 15th day falls on a closed day (Saturday, Sunday, national holiday, etc.), the next open day will be the deadline.
- During long holidays and the year-end and New Year holidays, the period during which you can apply at the counter will be shorter than usual.
- If you are late in submitting your application, you will not be able to receive the allowance for the months you missed.

[Grace Period for Application Procedures Due to System Revision]

For application procedures related to the revision of the system, if the application is submitted by March 31, 2025, the payment month will be delayed, but the allowance will be paid retroactively from

October 2024. Please note that if the application deadline is missed (after March 31, 2025), the allowance cannot be paid retroactively to October 2024 (if the application procedure is conducted on or after April 1, 2025, the allowance will be paid from the month following the month of application).

### ● Genkyo-todoke

Recipients other than those who fall under the following categories are not required to submit a *Genkyo-todoke* reporting on their current household conditions if the child-raising situation has not changed since the 2022 fiscal year.

[Recipients who are required to submit a *Genkyo-todoke*]

- Those whose registered address differs from their actual residence in Kyoto City due to being a victim of domestic violence
- Those who are raising a child who meets the eligibility requirements but does not have a family register or residence record
- Those who are living separately from their spouses during divorce proceedings.
- Other persons who have been requested by the City to submit one.

\* The purpose of the *Genkyo-todoke* is to ascertain the status of the recipient as of June 1 of each year and to confirm whether or not the recipient satisfies the requirements (supervision and protection of the child, livelihood, etc.) to continue receiving the child allowance for August and thereafter.

\* Please note that if you do not submit the *Genkyo-todoke*, you will no longer be able to receive the allowance for August onward.

### ● Eligibility Expiration

Eligibility for receiving child allowance will expire 2 years after the commencement of eligibility.

(E.g.) If you did not submit a *Genkyo-todoke* and the allowance is not paid on the fixed payment date in Oct. (around Oct. 10), then you can claim your eligibility starting the next day.

### ● Allowance Payments Cease

If the conditions for receiving child allowance payments are not met, then it is necessary to submit additional documents.\*<sup>1</sup> If there is a reason for payments to cease, they will cease in the same month.

If you receive child allowance payments without meeting qualifications, then you will be required to pay back the full amount. If you need to complete additional documents, please do so as soon as possible.

Main Reason	Necessary documents
When a child becomes 18 (allowances are paid until the end of the fiscal year)	Nothing is required
When the recipient stops raising a child (divorce, detention, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Jukyuu Jinyuu Shoumetu-todoke</i></li> <li>* A copy of this form can be received from Kyoto City Child &amp; Family Support Sections, each ward office and branch office, Keihoku Branch Office, or Kamikawa Branch Office, or downloaded from the Kyoto City official website.</li> </ul>
When the recipient passes away* <sup>4</sup>	
When the recipient moves out of Kyoto City* <sup>5</sup>	
When the recipient becomes a public servant* <sup>6</sup>	

\*<sup>4</sup> If there are any unpaid allowances due, the unpaid amount will be paid to the child. Please submit an unpaid allowance claim form. The new caregiver who becomes the recipient will need to complete the certification application process.

\*<sup>5</sup> If you are moving out of Kyoto City and still meet the eligibility requirements for the allowance, please complete the allowance application process at your new municipality within 15 days from the day after your planned moving-out date.

\*<sup>6</sup> If you are employed as a public servant and the payment will be made by your employer, please apply for the allowance at your workplace and submit a “Notification of Termination of Eligibility” to Kyoto City.

● **Other & Required Documents**

Please submit the documents for the following corresponding reasons as soon as possible.

Reason		Necessary Documents
When number of children increases (for increases in allowances)		<i>Gaku Kaitei Nintei Seikyu-sho</i>
When number of children decreases (for decreases in allowances)		<i>Gaku Kaitei-todoke</i>
When the recipient becomes a public servant	At Ward or Branch Office	<i>Jukyuu Jinyuu Shoumetu-todoke</i>
	At your place of employment	<i>Nintei Seikyu-sho</i>
When the recipient stops work as a public servant	At Municipal Office, Ward Office, etc.	<i>Nintei Seikyu-sho</i>
	At your place of employment	<i>Jukyuu Jinyuu Shoumetu-todoke</i>
When the recipient changes address (within Kyoto City)		<i>Henko-todoke</i>
When the address of the eligible child changes	Continuing raising a child	<i>Henko-todoke, Moushiate-sho</i>
	Stop raising a child	<i>Shoumetu-todoke</i>
Changes in recipient name or a child's name		<i>Henko-todoke</i>
When changing bank accounts		<i>Henko-todoke</i>
Changes in individual number for recipient, spouse, and/or child that resides outside of Kyoto City		<i>Koujin Bangou Henkou Nado-Moushidesho</i>

\* Depending on the procedure you may need to bring your bank account book or cash card from the financial institute where you would like to receive payments, health insurance card, *Nenkin kanyu Shomeisho* proof of National Pension enrollment, and/or documents proving livelihood.

\* For *Nintei Seikyu-sho*, *Bekyo Kango no Moushiate-sho* proof of living apart and *Koujin Bangou Henkou Nado-Moushidesho*, you may need to fill in your Individual Number (My Number), and present documents confirming your recipient's individual number, and a form of identification (for applications by mail a copy is accepted). For more information, please contact the Kyoto City Child & Family Support Section

\* You can download copies of forms from the website. Please see the website for details on digital applications through the Myna Portal.

\* From June 2022 onwards, a notification is also required “when the spouse’s name or address changes.” “when the recipient comes to have a spouse who raises the child together with them, or when the spouse who was taking care of the child is no longer present.” or “when the pension in which the recipient is enrolled changes (including when the recipient has become a public servant)”.

Offering Donations

For recipients, if you would like to help support the next generation of children’s health and development, please contact our office as you are able to donate a portion or the whole amount of your child allowance payments. For details, please contact the Child & Family Support Section