

Koedo Kawagoe News



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Entry for the Koedo Kawagoe Half Marathon 2016 is Being Accepted

To be Held on November 27 (Sun.)!!

Koedo Kawagoe Marathon Executive Committee (Sports Promotion Division) Tel. 228-0102
Inquiries on the entry = Tel. 048-778-5880
(from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, except holidays)

Wouldn't you like to run through the cityscape of the Kura-Zukuri (storehouse) and fully enjoy the sports of autumn? The half course is authorized by the Japan Association of Athletics. For more information, please confirm the essential points of the entry or the homepage of this athletic meet. The races will be carried out even if it rains.

Entry method : From noon on August 25

- Homepage of the athletic meet = <http://www.koedo-marathon.com>
- Phone = Entry Center : Tel.0570-550-846 (From 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Monday through Friday, except holidays)
- Terminal (Fami port) installed in the FamilyMart stores

Race events for which entries are accepted, etc. :

10,000 persons in total (Acceptance of entry will be finished as soon as it reaches capacity)

Events and start time

- Half = Starts at 8:55 a.m.
 - ①Men
 - ② Women (for each, public • forties • fifties • sixties and higher)
- 10 km = Starts at 8:30 a.m.
 - ①Men
 - ② Women (for each, public • forties • fifties • sixties and higher)
- Fun Run (about 4 km on Koedo Course) = Start at 9:30 a.m.
 - ①General Public (junior high school students and higher)
 - ② Pairs (one primary school student and his/her guardian)

Access to Kawagoe Aquatic Park

- It is about 15-minute walk from Nishi-Kawagoe Station.
- Shuttle buses from Kawagoe Station and Hon-Kawagoe Station are scheduled to be available.
- A toll parking lot is scheduled to be available in the venue (prior application is required).
- * Access by car to the area surrounding the venue will be restricted.

Entry qualification and entry fee (Age, etc. at the date of this athletic meet are effective)

Must be healthy. Entrants younger than 18 years of age need consent of their guardians.

- Half ... 4,000 yen (18 years of age or higher, excluding high school students)
 - 10 km ... 4,000 yen (high school students and higher)
 - Fun Run ... General Public = 2,500 yen ▶ Pairs = 4,000 yen
- * Entry handling charge is required separately.

Venue and courses

- Starting point = Kawagoe Suijo Koen (Kawagoe Aquatic Park)
- Goal = Kawagoe Aquatic Park (Half and 10km) ▶ In front of City Hall (Fun Run)

Prize (a participation prize is given to every entrant)

- Half and 10 km = 1st place through 10th place (1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be commended)

Extra Welfare Benefits for Fiscal 2016

Fukushi- Suishin ka (Welfare Service Promotion Division) Tel: 224-5769

“Extra Welfare Benefits” will be paid the same as last year to reduce the burden laid on low-income earners by the raise of the tax rate in April 2014. An application form was sent at the beginning of August to those who are considered to be eligible. This, however, doesn't mean all the recipients of the form are eligible. They have to get through eligibility screening. The benefit will be paid after October and it will take you about two months to receive it after your application.

For further information check the city website or dial the exclusive telephone number 0120-216-668 (It is available from 8:30 am to 6 pm on weekdays).

Eligible persons:

Those who are exempted from the municipal tax (per capita rate) for fiscal 2016

*Family members or relatives supported by those who pay municipal tax (per capita rate), and welfare recipients are not eligible.

The amount supplied: ¥3,000 for one eligible person

*Recipients of the Disability Pension (Eligibility depends on the level or grade.) and the Basic Pension for Bereaved Families are eligible for the benefit of ¥30,000 (except recipients of Benefit for Senior Citizens).

Application period: Aug. 2 (Tue) to Jan. 31 (Tue), 2017 (except Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays and other holidays, and the year-end and New Year holidays)

Reception area: Meeting Room, 7F of the City Hall

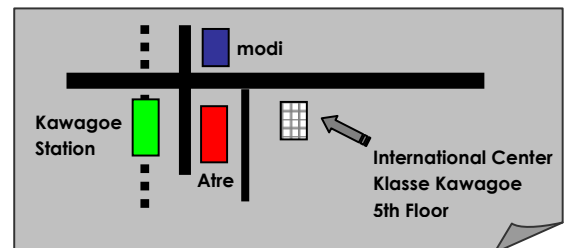
*Application by mail is accepted. The address is: 〒350-8601 Fukushi-Suishin ka (Welfare Service Promotion Division) Kawagoe Shiyakusho (Kawagoe City Hall)

International Center Information

Closed: Tuesdays and New Year Holidays (Dec. 29th to Jan. 3rd)

23-10 Sugawara-cho Tel: 228-7723 (Only in Japanese Language)

Inquiries: Kokusai Bunka Koryu-ka, Tel: 224-5506



Klasse de Nihongo Date: Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, 2:00-5:00 p.m., 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Free Japanese language classes for foreign citizens are provided. No prior registration is needed.

Kawagoe City International Residents' Network

Registrants have opportunities to join in activities, such as public school events promoting international understanding and community events promoting internationalization.

Volunteer Opportunities for Translators and Interpreters

Languages needed: Fluency in Japanese and one other language, especially **Portuguese, Tagalog and French.**

Consultation Services For Foreign Citizens

If you need an interpreter, please let Kokusai Bunka Koryu-ka know in advance.

- ▶ General (Japanese and Chinese): Monday September 12th and 26th, 1:00- 6:00 pm
- ▶ General (Japanese and Portuguese): Saturday September 3rd and 17th, 1:00 pm-6:00 pm
- ▶ Legal Affairs (Japanese) **Reservation available**: Friday September 23rd, 3:00-5:00 pm
- ▶ Visa status (Japanese) : Saturday August 27th and September 24th, 1:00 pm-6:00 pm