






The following information is a translation of an original Japanese text.

Alert level
4

From May 20, 2021, Evacuate upon the Evacuation Instruction Evacuation Recommendations will no longer be issued

Alert level	New evacuation information		Previous system of evacuation information
5 Disaster occurrence/ Disaster impending		Emergency Safety Measures ※1	Disaster occurrence information (Issued once occurrence is confirmed)
~~~~<Be sure to evacuate by alert level 4!>~~~~			
<b>4</b> High risk of disaster		<b>Evacuation Instruction</b> ※2	• Evacuation Instruction (emergency) • Evacuation Recommendation
<b>3</b> Risk of disaster		<b>Evacuation of the Elderly, Etc.</b> ※3	Advisory to prepare for evacuation and start evacuating elderly and other persons requiring special care
<b>2</b> Weather worsening		Heavy Rain, Flood, or Storm Surge Advisories (Japan Meteorological Agency)	Heavy Rain, Flood, or Storm Surge Advisories (Japan Meteorological Agency)
<b>1</b> Risk of weather worsening		Probability of Warnings (Japan Meteorological Agency)	Probability of Warnings (Japan Meteorological Agency)

Note 1: Alert level 5 is not always issued because, for example, municipal authorities are unable to accurately grasp the status of a disaster.

Note 2: The evacuation instruction will be issued at the same timing that the evacuation recommendation was issued under the previous system.

Note 3: Alert level 3 is the time when people other than the elderly, etc. should also begin to adjust their behavior or prepare for evacuation where necessary, or evacuate of their own accord if they sense a danger to their lives.

**Alert level 5 indicates a life-threatening situation in which you can no longer evacuate safely. Do not wait for the alert level 5, Emergency Safety Measures to be issued!**

**Evacuation Recommendation will no longer be issued. From now on, all residents should evacuate from dangerous places upon the alert level 4, Evacuation Instruction.**

**Elderly people or people with disabilities, who may need more time to evacuate, should evacuate from dangerous places upon the alert level 3, Evacuation of the Elderly, Etc.**



What should I do to "evacuate" ?

Evacuation is more complicated than simply moving to a primary/junior high school or community center. "Evacuate" means to escape from the danger. There are four courses of action.



**Evacuate to an evacuation site designated by your local authority**

What to take with you:  
Masks  
Disinfectant solution  
Thermometer  
Slippers  
Etc.



**Evacuate to a safe home of a relative or acquaintance**

You should talk to them in advance about evacuating during a disaster.

Note: Check your hazard map for whether it's safe.



**Decide in advance how to act during a disaster**

**Evacuate to a safe hotel, inn, etc.**

You will need to pay the usual accommodation charges. Try to book or check in advance.



Note: Check your hazard map for whether it's safe.

**Shelter indoors**

You need to check your hazard map for whether you meet the "3 conditions" explained below.

Probable Maximum Inundation Depth

Note: If there is a danger of landslides, you should not shelter indoors.



**If you meet the "3 conditions," then it may be possible to shelter indoors even during a flood**

① Your home is not located in an assumed flooding area where houses are likely to collapse.

(If it is...)



Wooden houses may collapse due to the high speed of the flowing water



Your entire house may be washed away as the ground crumbles away

② Your home is higher up than the flooding level



③ You can hold out until the water recedes and have sufficient supplies of water/food, etc.

(If not...)

You may struggle to secure water, food, medicine, etc. or may be unable to use facilities such as electricity, gas, water, and toilets



Note: Since ① the assumed flooding area where houses are likely to collapse and ③ the time until the water recedes (duration of the flooding) may not be shown on your hazard map, please inquire with your municipal authority.

Going outside during torrential rains is dangerous, even in a car. If you have no choice but to spend the night in your car, take great care to check your surroundings, etc., to make sure you are not caught in a flood.