

Message from the Mayor of Miyoshi City

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Hiroshima Prefecture has entered the rainy season on June 10th, while the flood season has come to us again this year.

What is distinctly different from the usual flood season is that we also need to prepare for the spread of the new coronavirus infectious disease this period. This time, I will give you important information about evacuation preparation.

Please refer to the leaflet of "Let's Think about Our Evacuation Plan"(printed in Japanese) in this month's "Public Relations Magazine of Miyoshi"(officially pronounced "Koho Miyoshi" in Japanese).

First of all, please check the safety of your home again with a hazard map. Also, regarding evacuation destinations and evacuation methods, consider evacuating to an "acquaintance's house" or a "safe place by car" as soon as possible, in addition to a nearby evacuation shelter. Moreover, if you are in a safe place, you may want to evacuate vertically to the second floor instead of forcibly leaving your home. Please consider an approach that provides several options for evacuation. If you feel at your own risk, do not hesitate to evacuate with each method.

Regarding evacuation shelters, we will take thorough measures to prevent infection so that the citizens can use them at ease. But in order to avoid "Three Cs" (Closed spaces, Crowded places and Close-contact settings), we are unavoidably reducing the number of people accommodated in evacuation shelters, which means we need you to evacuate as early as possible.

No new infections have been identified in Miyoshi City since

May, but please continue to carry out the basic infection control measures such as "wearing a mask", "washing hands", "avoiding Three Cs" and so on.

We would like to make steady preparations with the citizens and overcome the flood season. In order to protect yourself and your loved ones, please take responsibility for "evacuation preparation and infection prevention" and prepare for a disaster so that you can evacuate without hesitation. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

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