

# Japanese Exchange & Teaching

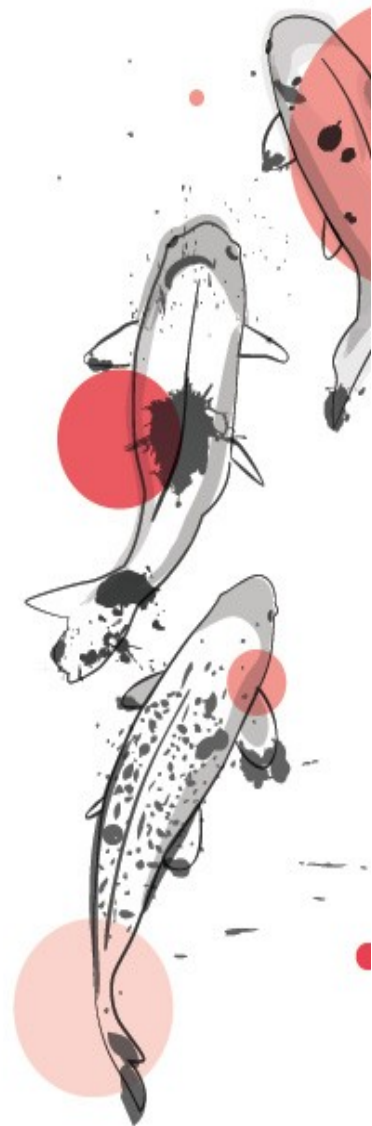


## Safety and Legal

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# Overview of Topics

- **Cars** – Driver's licenses, insurance, accidents, Drinking and Driving, *Shaken*
- **Bikes** – Riding rules, Bike care, safety
- **Medical** – medical exams, hospital visits
- **Law Enforcement** – police, arrests
- **Garbage** – collection and sorting
- **NHK** – collection fees



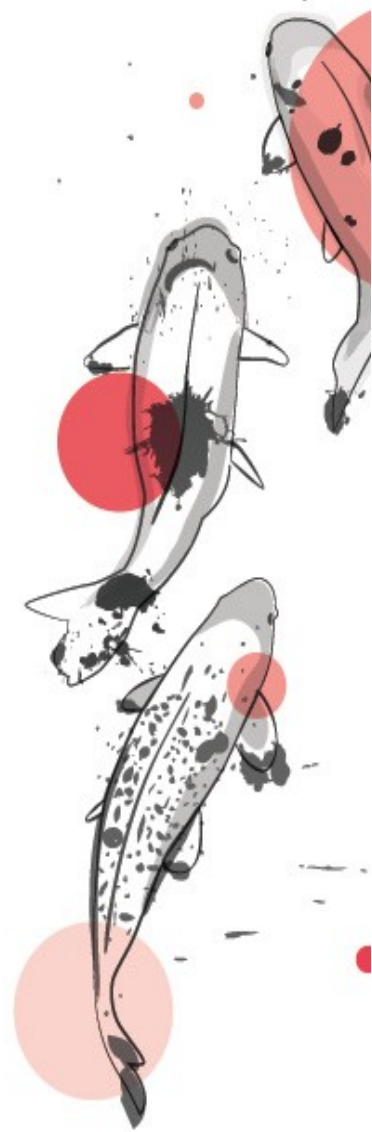
# Cars

## International license

- Lasts for a year
- \$15 through AAA
- 2 week processing time

## Japanese license

- Notoriously hard driving test
- Assume you will not pass the first time
- You can only take the test once a day
- Testing fee: around 2,500 yen
- License printing: around 1,500 yen



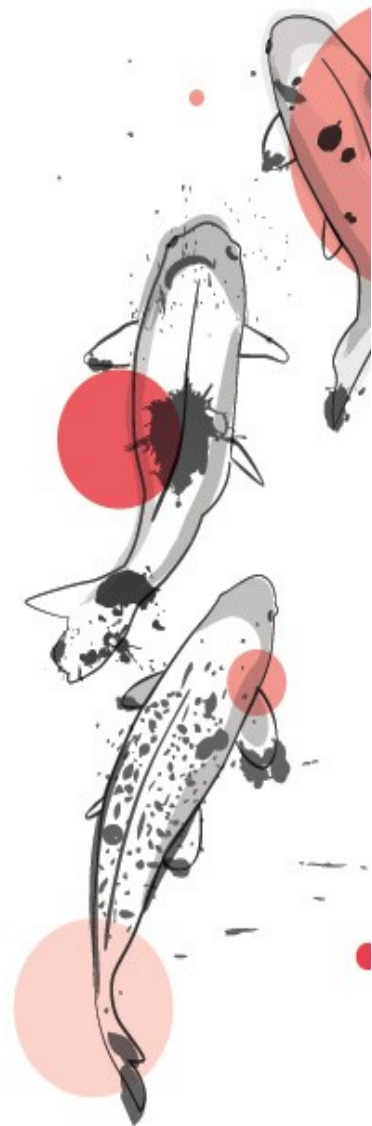
# Cars

## ***Shaken* (車検) : Car safety inspection**

- Every few years
- Not an option
- Costly : atleast \$700 for the inspection
- If the car doesn't pass inspection, you will have to pay for repairs before you can legally drive the car

## **Accidents**

- Expect to pay no matter who's at fault (at least 10% of damage)
- Forms needed: License, Alien Registration Card, Up-to-date *shaken*, mandatory insurance



# Cars

## Drinking and Driving

- DON'T DO IT
- Japanese law is zero tolerance
- You can get arrested if you have *any* alcohol in your system

## ***Daiko*** : You're way out

- Taxi service with two people
- One person drives your car and the other drives the taxi
- Pretty cheap
- Almost all bars have a *Daiko's* number



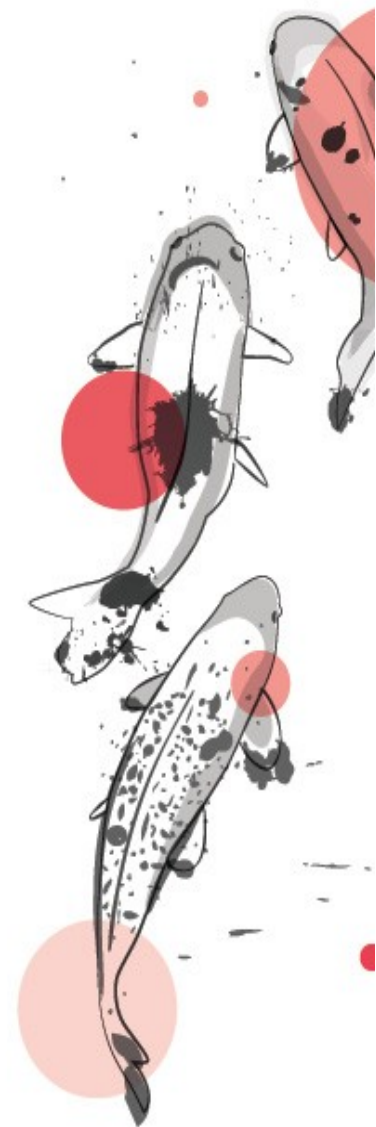
# Bikes

## Riding Rules

- Riding tandem is illegal
- So is riding with an umbrella
- Helmets are mandatory for children
- Riding and Drinking are illegal

## Safety

- Bikes are one of the most commonly stolen item
- Always lock your bike
- A bell is required as well as headlamp for night
- Register your bike!



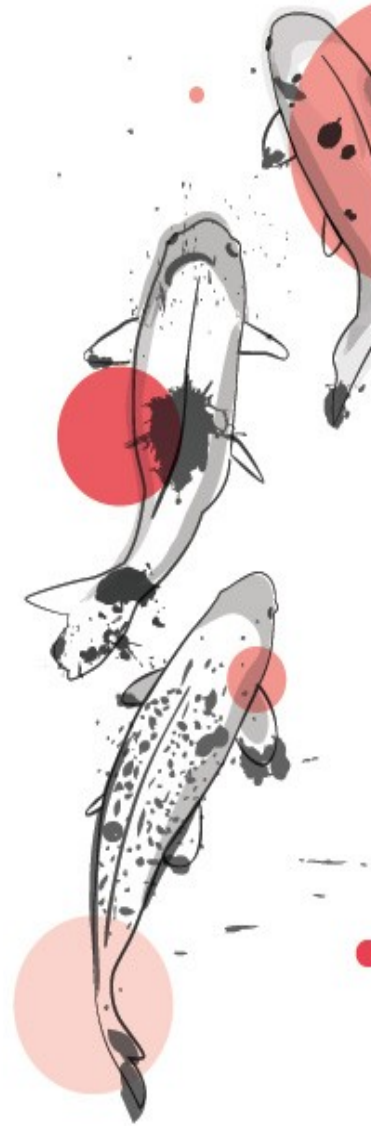
# Medical

## Annual Medical Exam

- urine check
- weight and height check
- hearing test
- chest X-ray
- eye exam
- blood pressure check, and
- health and lifestyle consultation

## Emergency

- dial 110 for the police and 119 for fire or ambulance



# Law Enforcement

## In case of arrest

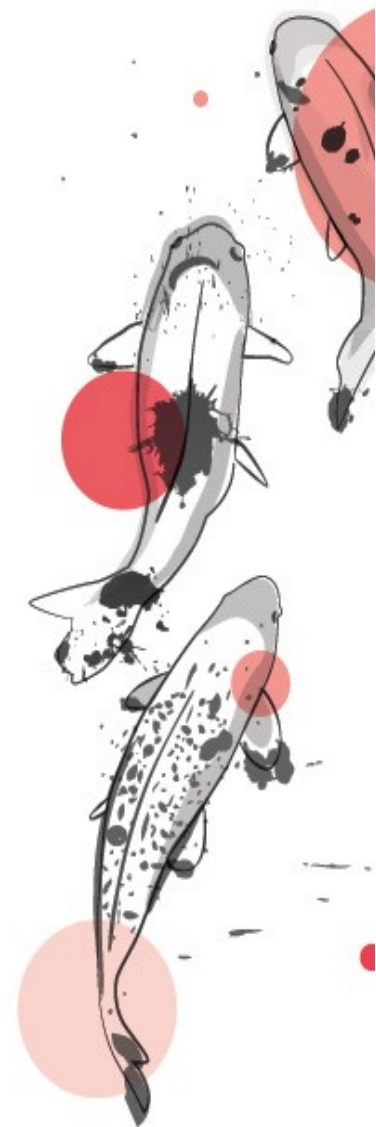
- Police can hold you for up to 48 hours before charging you
- Know your Prefectural Advisor's number
- Always carry identification, police can stop you whenever

## *Koban* (small police station)

- Visit the *koban* for help and information, they know a lot!

## Drugs

- All drugs are extremely illegal, do not bring or use them
- Be extra careful with prescriptions





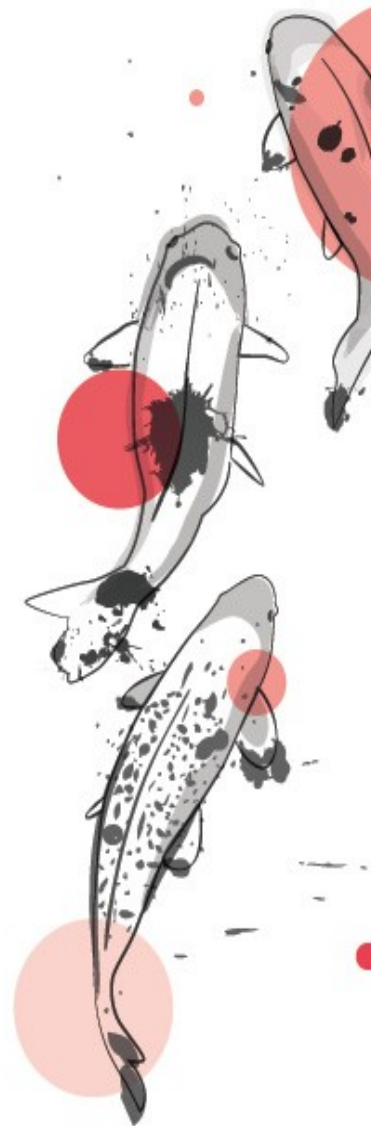
# Garbage and NHK

## Garbage

- Sorting trash is serious business
- Different days for different types of garbage
- Non-burnable, burnable, food waste, electronics, etc.

## NHK ( Nippon Hōsō Kyōkai )

- Japanese National Broadcasting
- Door to door fund collection
- Technically mandatory if you own and device that can view t.v.



# Links

## International License

[http://www.aaa.com/ppinternational/IDP\\_IADP\\_Apply.html](http://www.aaa.com/ppinternational/IDP_IADP_Apply.html)

## Japanese License

<http://www.alientimes.org/Main/GettingAJapaneseDriversLicenseInIbarakiPrefecture>

## Medical

<http://expatsguide.jp/ch12>

## Biking

<http://www.survivingnjapan.com/2011/09/about-cycling-and-biking-in-japan.html>

## Garbage

<http://www.tofugu.com/2014/10/09/getting-down-and-dirty-with-japans-garbage/>

## NHK

<http://www.japantoday.com/category/national/view/court-ruling-orders-anyone-with-a-tv-equipped-d-vice-to-pay-nhks-public-broadcasting-license-fee>

