

Disaster Preparedness

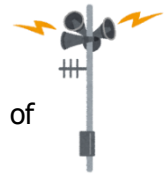
Japan gets a lot of typhoons and storms through the summer and autumn. In the past, Miyazaki has had a lot of heavy rain, resulting in



rivers overflowing, houses flooding, landslides and similar problems that can cause a lot of damage. In this month's *Living In Miyazaki*, we will share some important information about what to do in the event of a natural disaster.

● Warning Levels:

The Warning Levels exist to help people gain an understanding of the threat level of a possible or impending disaster, and what actions they need to take.



[Warning Level / Warning Name / What you need to do]

Warning Level 1 / Early Warning (Issued by the Japan Meteorological Agency)

/ Be aware of a possible natural disaster



Warning Level 2 / Heavy Rain, Flood or High Water Level Advisory (Issued by the Japan Meteorological Agency) / Confirm your evacuation route

Warning Level 3 / Evacuation Warning for Elderly People, etc. ※ (Issued by local authorities) / Elderly people and anyone requiring assistance or extra time to do so should evacuate from dangerous areas

Warning Level 4 / Evacuation Order (Issued by local authorities) / Everyone should evacuate from dangerous areas



Warning Level 5 / Emergency Safety Warning ※ (Issued by local authorities) / Danger to life. Take whatever action necessary immediately to ensure your own safety!



※ In the event of a Level 3 Warning, not only the elderly but also anyone needing extra time or any assistance in evacuating, such as disabled people, should evacuate from dangerous areas.

※ At Warning Level 5, finding yourself unable to evacuate safely could be an incredibly dangerous situation, so do not wait for an emergency safety warning to evacuate!

● Disaster Preparedness Seminar for Foreign Residents / Volunteers to Help Support Foreign Residents During a Disaster

The Miyazaki International Foundation will be holding a Disaster Preparedness Seminar for Foreign Residents on Saturday, September 25th. They are also recruiting volunteers to help foreign residents during natural disasters. For more information, please check the MIF website.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions regarding this column, please contact the Miyazaki International Foundation (MIF):

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Also, if you ever have any questions or concerns about daily life in Miyazaki, please feel free to get in touch with the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents:

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