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Child Allowance and Children's Medical Subsidy Program

Please note that according to the 'My Number' Individual Identity Number System introduced in January 2016, those applying for "Child Allowance" and "Children's Medical Subsidy Program" will be asked to provide documents to verify the identity and the individual identity number of themselves and their spouse, etc.

Child Allowance (Jido-teate)

When there is a change in the number of children eligible for the child allowance program due to childbirth etc., or when a beneficiary who has been receiving child allowance from another municipality moves to Ota City, a fresh application must be made to the Ota City office to receive the allowance. Please file an application within 15 days from the day following the date of childbirth / beneficiary's scheduled date of moving-out from another municipality. As a general rule, the payment of child allowance will begin from the month following the month in which the application is filed.

If an application is filed in a month following the month in which the event takes place, the payment of child allowance will begin from the month in which the application is filed as long as it is filed within 15 days from the day following the day on which the event takes place. Please note that if you file an application after 15 days, the payment of child allowance for certain months may not be received, so please be aware when there is a childbirth or change of address in the latter half of the month.

Applications for child allowance are accepted even if all the required documents are not provided so please apply as early as you can.

*Systems Revisions planned from October 2024 onwards. We will give information as soon as the details are decided through the website, etc.

1. Eligibility requirements

Child allowance is provided to registered residents of Ota City raising children who have not completed their junior high school education. The children must be those who live in Japan and aged between 0 and 15 (the child allowance will be provided until the first March 31 after they turn 15 years of age). Please note that when both mother and father financially support the eligible child, the one who has the higher income will be regarded as the beneficiary.

- If the applicant (beneficiary) is a public employee, he/she needs to file an application in his/her place of employment.
- *Please contact the Children's Medical Care Section of the Childcare Support Division in any of the following cases
- (1) Your child is on a study-abroad program (2) Your child is taken care of by a person other than the parent(s)
- (3) You are currently separated from your spouse together with the child and you are on the process of divorce (including those have divorced).
- (4) You are currently separated from your spouse together with the child due to violence from spouse

2.Income criteria

In case the applicant's income is below the limit amount, Child allowance (Jido-teate) will be provided. Meanwhile, in case the income is on the limit amount or above but below income ceiling, Special allowance (Tokurei-kyufu) will be provided. In case the applicant's income exceeds the income ceiling, the eligibility will be lost starting the portion of October, 2022.

[Table of income limit ... less than the limit amount = Child allowance (Jido-teate), limit amount or above = Special allowance (Tokurei-kyufu)]

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Number of family dependents Income limit		Revenue (estimated employment income)
according to Tax laws		
None	6,220,000 yen	8,330,000 yen
1	6,600,000 yen	8,760,000 yen
2	6,980,000 yen	9,170,000 yen

- ♦ Earnings between June this year and May next year
 ⇒We will inspect your earnings during the previous year.
- ⇒We will inspect your earnings during the year before last.

[Table of income ceiling ... below the income ceiling = Special allowance (Tokurei-kyufu), income ceiling or above = No allowance]

Number of family dependents according to Tax laws	income ceiling	Revenue (estimated employment income)
None	8,580,000 yen	10,710,000 yen
1	8,960,000 yen	11,240,000 yen
2	9,340,000 yen	11,620,000 yen

If income falls below the income limit amount again after a child allowance etc. is denied or eliminated due to income exceeding the limit, a new approval request documents must be submitted.

♦ This is the number of dependents, including spouse, living in the same household. For those applicants who have three or more dependents in their household according to Tax laws, an additional 380,000 (an aged dependent or whose spouse is qualified for senior citizen deduction program, 440,000) yen is added to the income limit per additional dependent.

3. Amount of child allowance (monthly payment)

		Child Allowance	Special Allowance
Age of child		(Jido-teate)	(Tokurei-kyufu)
		Below the limit amount	On the limit amount (of the income)
		(of the income)	or above but below income ceiling
0 ~ under a	ige 3	15,000 yen / month	
From age 3 until completion	1st and 2nd child	10,000 yen / month	A flat rate of 5,000 yen / month per child
of elementary school	3 rd child and above	15,000 yen / month	regardless of their age and the number of
education	(Note)		children
Junior high school students		10,000 yen / month	

Note: The "3rd child" refers to the third child of a household where all children (until the first March 31st after they turn 18 years of age) are counted.

4. Time of payment

As a general rule, child allowance payments are made to the bank account of the applicant (beneficiary) in June, October and February. Payments for the months from February to May will be made in June, payments for the months from June to September will be made in October, and payments for the months from October to the following January will be made in February.

Although submission of update form was previously required every June to continue receiving child allowance payments, it is not necessary any more in case the office can check the necessary information for the update form in the public register etc. In case submission of update form is needed, the office will send the format by postal mail

5. Application method

Please submit an application in person or by mail or electronic application to the Children's Medical Care Section.

* Electronic application through computers and smartphones are available.

Please search with the word ぴったりサービス

A proxy letter will be required for proxy applications that are filed at the Children's Medical Care Section 's counter by someone who is not a member of the applicant's (beneficiary's) household. Even a spouse of the applicant (beneficiary), he/she needs a proxy letter if he/she does not share the same household.

For those filing an application by mail, the date on which the application reaches the Children's Medical Care Section will be regarded as the date of application.

Notifications related to move-in and childbirth are also accepted through Ota City branch offices.

<Required items>

	Conditions	Necessary Documents	
1)	All applicants	 ♦ Child Allowance or Special Child Allowance application form (new applications), or application form or notification of payment amendment (increase/reduction). ♦ Ordinary deposit bank account details of the applicant (the person with the highest income in the household). (This is not necessary for those who wish to use their registered account for public funds receipt) ♦ Identity verification documents for the person visiting the facility (If by postal mail, send a copy of your identification document) ♦ Applicant and spouse's "My Number(individual number)" confirmation documents 	
2	If addresses of applicant and child differ	♦ Statement of Child Custody for Child Allowance or Special Child Allowance.	

- ♦ Please be aware that in certain circumstances you may be asked to provide other documentation.
- ♦ If you have difficulty preparing the required documents, please contact our office in advance.

6. Please notify us of changes that take place after the allowance begins

Please notify Ota City office when:

- When you come to have a spouse raising a child, or losing a spouse raising a child
- When the name of the beneficiary, spouse or child is changed
- There is an increase / decrease in the number of eligible children due to childbirth, etc.
- In the case of changes to the qualified recipients due to divorce etc..
- The beneficiary no longer shares the same household with the eligible child
- The beneficiary becomes a full-time public employee
- The child is placed in or leaves a childcare institution
- The registered bank account of the beneficiary needs to be changed (Please note that the bank account must be the one that is held by the beneficiary.)

Please note that when a beneficiary moves out to another municipality, he / she will lose eligibility for the child allowance program processed by Ota City from the scheduled date of moving-out.

Please file a fresh application in the <u>municipality office of your new address within 15 days following the date of scheduled date of moving-out.</u>