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Japan Tourism Agency

## Why not use “Safety tips”, the app developed by the Japan Tourism Agency, for up-to-date disaster information?

The Japan Tourism Agency, in the form of push notifications through the Safety Tips apps, provides information on disasters to international visitors notifying them of Earthquake Early Warnings, Tsunami Warnings and other Weather Warnings in Japan so they can feeling safe while travelling throughout the country.

In order to provide up-to-date information to more international visitors visiting Japan, the Japan Tourism Agency, with the cooperation of an application production company, has made it possible for other apps to share services that provide disaster information on Safety tips. By using the Safety tips API (\*1), it is possible for operators to distribute disaster information using their application services in 5 different languages (English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean and Japanese) without having to create a new system from scratch.

Please consider using the Safety tips API that has been helping international visitors stay safe during their trip to Japan.

\*1 API= Application Programming Interface

\*2 There may be introduction and maintenance costs. Please inquire for more details.

### ■ Usage example



**Get information easily!**  
Provides a web API that can easily obtain disaster information



**Automatic notification of alerts and warnings!**  
Automatically receive alerts and warnings with push notifications



**Multilingual support!**  
Can provide information in Japanese, as well as English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese and Korean

■ Types of services that can be used in other applications

Category	Function	Overview
Disaster Information API	Earthquake Information	Provides a list and detailed information on recent earthquakes
	Tsunami Warnings	Provides detailed information on major tsunami warnings, other tsunami warnings and advisories
	Weather Warnings	Provides a list of information on weather warnings and advisories
	Eruption Information	Provides a list and detailed information on volcanic eruptions
	Heat Stroke Information	Sends a notification concerning heat stroke risk index information for designated locations
Push Notifications	Earthquake Early Warnings	Sends a notification concerning expected seismic intensity and arrival time in the event of an earthquake
	Tsunami Warnings	Sends a notification when a major tsunami warning, other tsunami warning or advisory is issued
	Weather Warnings	Sends a notification when a weather warning is issued
	Eruption Notices	Sends a notification when an volcanic eruption warning is issued
	Heat Stroke Information	Sends a notification when the heat index is at “danger” or “severe warning” levels as of 7AM

\* Information type and criteria can be selected

(Attachment: “Safety tips” overview document)

\* The following conditions must be met/understood in order to use the Safety tips API.

- Please be aware of the purposes of the Safety tips API.

(This API is intended to be used for multilingual (\*) travel apps aimed at international visitors to Japan) (\*) English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese and Korean

- Please take note that there may be costs involved when introducing this API.

- Please continue to use this API for at least one year.

In addition, a contract in Japanese with the Safety tips app production company is required.

## Reference

Basic information on “Safety tips” , an app providing disaster information to international visitors

- The app developed by the Japan Tourism Agency was launched in October 2014 to provide disaster information to international visitors so that they are able to travel throughout Japan, a country that experiences many natural disasters, while feeling safe.
- Besides providing push notifications concerning Earthquake Early Warnings, Tsunami Warnings and Weather Warnings in Japan, this app also provides links to necessary information that have been collected at the time of a disaster, communication cards to get information from nearby people, and an action flow chart showing how to evacuate depending on the situation of the surrounding area.

■ Supported languages: 5 languages

English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean and Japanese

■ Fee: Free

■ Information provided as push notifications

Earthquake Early Warnings, Tsunami Warnings, Weather Warnings, Eruption Notices, Heat Stroke Information, and civil protection information such as the launch of ballistic missiles.

■ Download URL

• Android:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=jp.co.rcsc.safetyTips.android>

• iPhone :

<https://itunes.apple.com/jp/app/safety-tips/id858357174?mt=8>

\*Or alternatively, please use the following QR codes.

For Android



For iPhone



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